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Jason-1, a follow-on altimeter mission to the TOPEX/POSEIDON (T/P) mission, carries receivers for DORIS (Doppler Orbitography and Radiopositioning Integrated by Satellite), SLR (Satellite Laser Ranging) and GPS (Global Positioning System) in support of the Precision Orbit Determination (POD) function. The radial orbit accuracy of the Jason-1 is expected to be 2 cm RMS or better in dynamic approach, with the objective of achieving an accuracy of 1 cm RMS through the improved dynamic models and measurement models. This will require significant improvement in current knowledge of surface force effects as well as improvement in knowledge of gravity field model.

Jason-1 orbits were computed with various combinations of three different types of tracking data to investigate the contribution of each tracking system to the accuracy of orbits. The GPS tracking data were analyzed and

utilized for POD with the DORIS and SLR tracking data using a dynamical approach. Parameterization related to empirical acceleration and antenna phase center was studied, and optimal relative weighting for each tracking system was examined. The effect of ground station selection on the orbit accuracy was also studied and a method of an optimal network selection was developed.

The orbit quality tests were performed through the analysis of tracking residuals, SLR residuals with high-elevation passes, orbit overlap comparisons, and altimeter crossover analysis. The study showed that the contribution of GPS tracking is significant to the improvement of orbit accuracy, especially when GPS tracking is supported by SLR tracking. The SLR residual RMS test, which is an independent and absolute measure of the radial orbit error, clearly indicates that we are approaching the 1-cm radial orbit accuracy for Jason-1.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Overview

Since NASA's satellite altimetry program was first formulated in 1969 [Kaula, 1970], high precision satellite radar altimetry has become a fundamental tool for the study of the ocean surface topography. Previous altimetric satellite missions such as GEOS-3, Seasat, Geosat, ERS-1, ERS-2 and Topex/Poseidon (T/P) demonstrated the usefulness of satellite altimetry for measuring sea level and the ocean topography.

As a satellite altimeter measures the distance above the ocean surface, the usefulness of the measurement depends on the accuracy of the radial component of the satellite altimeter position. The accuracy of the orbit depends on the accuracy of the dynamic force models acting on the satellite, as well as the accuracy and coverage of the satellite tracking data. The errors introduced into the computed altimeter heights due to the radial orbit errors have historically been greater than the magnitude of the altimeter measurement errors before the launch of T/P at 1992, causing a major limitation in the accuracy of the sea surface height. At the time of the launch of Seasat in 1978 (July 1978-October 1978), the radial orbit error attainable from GEOS-

3 (April 1975-December 1978) was about 5 meters [Lerch *et al.*, 1982] and its altimeter measurement precision was 25 cm. The orbit errors for Geosat (March 1985-December 1989) was still at the 30 to 50 cm level in the late 1980s, although its altimeter measurement precision had already reached the 4 cm level [Chelton *et al.*, 2001, see page 2].

Launched on August 12, 1992, the T/P mission has become an example of the state-of-the-art in satellite altimetry. Its altimeter can measure the range from the spacecraft to the instantaneous sea surface with a precision of about 2 cm. The highly successful T/P mission has reduced the radial orbit errors to the level of 2 cm [Tapley *et al.*, 1996; Marshall *et al.*, 1995] from the original radial orbit error requirement of 13 cm rms [Stewart *et al.*, 1986]. The ERS-1 (July 1991-May 1996) and ERS-2 (August 1995-) satellites have also been benefited from the T/P mission to reduce their orbit errors by using crossover techniques and the improved gravity model.

The success of the T/P mission was primarily because of the success of the gravity model improvement. It was also due to the force and measurement model improvement in the POD software, and the precise and robust tracking provided by the satellite laser ranging (SLR) [Tapley *et al.*, 1993] network and the French DORIS doppler tracking system [Nöuel *et al.*, 1988]. The T/P POE is computed from the combined SLR/DORIS data, but the experimental Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking data was also tested to show that it can produce orbits with similar accuracy, if not better, when the GPS security feature such as Anti-Spoofing (A/S) is not active [Bertiger *et al.*, 1994; Schutz

et al., 1994].

The Jason-1 spacecraft, the T/P follow-on, was launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base on December 7, 2001, supported by the state-of-the-art tracking systems: SLR, DORIS and GPS. In order to guarantee a seamless transition between T/P and Jason-1 sea level records, Jason-1 carries a 2.5 cm radial orbit error requirement with an aggressive goal of 1-cm RMS accuracy. The advanced satellite tracking systems, especially with the highly accurate BlackJack GPS receiver, will help the POD community achieve the 1-cm radial accuracy goal. In the following sections, the details of the Jason-1 mission, precision orbit determination concept, and the objectives of this dissertation will be discussed.

1.2 Background

1.2.1 T/P and Jason-1 Mission

The Jason-1 satellite, a joint project of NASA and CNES, the French space agency, is the follow-on to T/P, a U.S.-French spacecraft that has been making precise measurements of ocean surface topography with an accuracy of 4.2 cm, enabled scientists to forecast the 1997-1998 El Niño. These data are used to map ocean currents, improve the understanding of ocean circulation, measure global sea level change and improve global climate forecasts.

Like T/P, Jason-1 will provide accurate sea surface topography data. Other objectives are to monitor and interpret regional and global sea level change, to improve knowledge of ocean tides and to observe and use wave-

height and wind speed for marine meteorology. Additional contributions of Jason-1 data are foreseen in various domains like geodesy, geophysics, shallow water and coastal environment, enclosed sea circulation, inland water and land topography survey.



Figure 1.1: The Jason-1 Satellite: LRA, DORIS and GPS antennas are equipped for precise orbit determination.

The satellite (see Figure 1.1) includes the launcher adapter, the satellite bus and the instruments constituting the payload. The satellite bus is comprised of a platform and a payload module. Each component of the Jason-1 system has been designed to take into account the evolutions in satellite bus and instrument technology, and the improvements provided by the acquired experience and the highly demanding performance requirements of the scientific community.

The Jason-1 satellite has a design lifetime of three years but the components are built to withstand the expected radiation environment at the 1336-km altitude for five years. Table 1.1 shows the performance specification designed for Jason-1. Consumables are also sized for a five-year mission. The maximum power consumption is about 435 W. The overall satellite mass is less than 500 kg with full load of hydrazine (28 kg) and the satellite is about 3.4 meters high. Due to the high orbit nodal rate (2 per day), the satellite performs yaw-steering attitude control maneuvers to provide the solar arrays with proper solar illumination. The payload science data rate of 25 kbps is continuously stored in the onboard mass memory and is downloaded each time a ground terminal is within view at 613 kbits/s.

Satellite mass	500 kg
Satellite power	450 W
Lifetime	Up to 5 years
Bus dry mass	270 kg
Bus consumption	300 W max.
Bus size (mm)	954×954×1000
Payload module size (mm)	954×954×1218
Storage capacity	2 Gbits (EOL)
Downlink capacity	650 kbps
Uplink capacity	4 kbps
Pointing accuracy	0.035
V capacity	Up to 120 m/s

Table 1.1: Jason-1 performance

Jason-1 uses an Earth orbiting satellite equipped with a radar altimeter and other instruments to directly measure sea surface elevation along a

fixed grid of sub-satellite ground tracks and thereby continues the data collection started with T/P. Jason-1 uses the same ground track pattern as T/P. Jason-1 measures the distance from the satellite to the sea surface to within approximately 2.5 cm (averaged over 1 sec). Precise orbit determination allows scientists to locate the spacecraft to within two or three centimeters and a combination with radar measurement allows scientists to achieve the Jason-1 primary mission objective—the production of accurate topographic maps of the world ocean.

The superb performance that the T/P mission has achieved owes much to the efforts made to optimize the satellite system. Jason-1 is adopting the same philosophy, building on the T/P heritage, but with a smaller satellite to reduce costs. Orbit parameters, which are similar to those of T/P, are also designed to fulfill the mission objectives as shown in Table 1.2. The satellite orbits at an altitude of 1336 kilometers above the Earth with a 66 degrees inclination. The orbit inclination of 66 degrees enables the satellite to cover most of the globe’s unfrozen oceans. The orbit’s repeat cycle is 9.9156 days (i.e., 10 days minus two hours). In approximately 10 days Jason-1 completes 127 passes, which is called a cycle. Thus, the satellite passes over the same point on the Earth’s surface every ten days to within one kilometer and records sea-level measurements for the entire globe. The orbit is prograde and not Sun-synchronous. For the study of large-scale ocean variability, this cycle is a trade-off between spatial and temporal resolution.

Jason-1’s high altitude (1,336 kilometers) reduces interactions with the

Orbit characteristics	
Semi-major axis	7714.4278 <i>km</i>
Eccentricity	0.000095
Inclination (non-heliosynchronous)	66.039°
Reference altitude (equatorial)	1,336 <i>km</i>
Nodal period (duration of half-revolution or pass)	6,745.72 seconds (112' 42'' or 1h52')
Repeat cycle	9.9156 days
Number of passes per cycle	254
Ground track separation at Equator	315 <i>km</i>
Acute angle at Equator crossings	39.5°
Longitude at Equator of pass 1	99.9242°
Orbital velocity	7.2 <i>km/s</i>
Ground scanning velocity	5.8 <i>km/s</i>

Table 1.2: Jason-1 Orbit Characteristics

Earth's atmosphere and gravity field, thus making orbit determination easier and more precise. Significant progress of the general satellite orbit problem are mainly due to the improvement of the mathematical models of the dynamic and kinematic equations used for the satellite orbit computation. In the following section, the satellite orbit determination problem is further discussed.

1.2.2 Precise Orbit Determination Problem

The satellite orbit determination problem can be defined as the procedure to compute the state vector (position and velocity) of the center of mass of a satellite whose motion can be expressed by an equation of motion. To compute the state vector, continuous and discrete observations are needed. The clear definition of the time and coordinate reference systems is impor-

tant because the motions of the satellite and observers are often referred to different time and coordinate systems (see Chapter 2.1 for the details). The transformations between the systems should be applied accordingly.

There are various strategies for the satellite ephemerides estimation: 1) kinematic approach, 2) reduced-dynamic approach and 3) dynamic approach. The kinematic approach and the reduced-dynamic approach have been developed especially for GPS tracking and tested on T/P, which was the first user satellite that carried a GPS receiver for orbit determination.

The kinematic or geometric approach [Yunck & Wu, 1986] assumes that pseudorange measurements from at least four GPS satellites are collected continuously at once and also cycle-slip free carrier phase measurements are available for pseudorange smoothing. Since the filter can estimate a three dimensional position independently at each measurement time, this approach does not require a dynamic force model for the user satellite. The kinematic solution, however, is very sensitive to the accuracy of the tracking data and the geometry of the observing GPS satellites.

The reduced dynamic approach [Wu *et al.*, 1989] utilizes both geometric and dynamic information to compensate for the imperfect measurements. This approach is realized by treating unmodeled or mismodeled spacecraft accelerations as stochastic processes to absorb dynamic model errors [Wu *et al.*, 1991; Yunck *et al.*, 1994]. Other data types such as DORIS can be combined with GPS to support certain variations of reduced-dynamic tracking [Barotto, 1995; Willis *et al.*, 2002].

The dynamic orbit determination approach [Tapley, 1973] is the most general method of POD and requires precise force models acting on the satellite. The procedure typically involves an iterative least-squares estimation seeking best fits of selected model parameters and model-predicted satellite position and velocity to the tracking data along an orbit arc. The predicted state at each epoch is integrated by using the satellite equations of motion requiring accurate force models. This least-squares adjustment produces a new initial state vector, which corrects for much of the error in the previous initial conditions and errors in the force model. The resulting solution's accuracy depends on accuracy of the force models and the model parameter adjustment strategy. The estimation of sub-arc empirical acceleration terms in the dynamical POD practice gives the same effect as the stochastic variations in the reduced-dynamic accelerations.

The mathematical models, to describe the motion of an orbiting object in the dynamic orbit determination approach, have been greatly improved over the last decade with better understanding of the nature of the forces on a spacecraft. Also, the intensive post-launch tuning of the T/P force models yielded significant improvement in the ability to model the satellite orbit dynamically. One of the significantly improved force models is the gravity model. With the understanding that the gravity model was the primary error source for the T/P radial orbit, a decade-long gravity model improvement effort was initiated by the T/P project, which resulted in the Joint Gravity Model (JGM-1) [Nerem *et al.*, 1994]. This model, along with other model and

tracking system improvements, resulted in a prelaunch radial orbit accuracy on the order of 6 cm. Post-launch adjustment of the gravity model resulted in JGM-2 [Nerem *et al.*, 1994], which reduced the errors to the 3-4 cm level [Tapley *et al.*, 1994]. The production orbits of T/P are based on the tracking data from SLR and DORIS, but an experimental GPS tracking receiver was also placed onboard [Bertiger *et al.*, 1994; Melbourne *et al.*, 1994]. In 1995, the incorporation of the GPS data led to a new model, JGM-3 [Tapley *et al.*, 1996]. Combined with improved tide models based on the T/P altimeter data, and some additional refinements of the orbit determination strategy, the current orbit accuracy of approximately 2 cm was achieved [Marshall *et al.*, 1995]. In this study for Jason-1 POD, JGM-3 is used for the nominal gravity model.

As further discussed in Section 3.1, one of the principal limitations to further improving the orbit accuracy is the problem of modeling the complex surface forces acting on the spacecraft. The improved design of the GPS processor on Jason-1 may provide the opportunity for further enhancements to the orbit accuracy, since the enhanced GPS receiver on Jason-1 has the potential to allow a more refined parameterization of the force model errors, which is a requirement for orbits at the 1-cm level. In this study, the multi-satellite orbit determination program (MSODP), a dynamic approach which has been developed especially for the GPS data at the University of Texas at Austin (UT) Center for Space Research (CSR), is used. The least square batch filter design and problem formulation for MSODP is described by Rim [1992, see Section 2.5].

1.2.3 Measurement Systems: SLR, DORIS and GPS

Like T/P, Jason-1 carries a payload of five instruments to provide measurements for at least three years with full redundancy: the POSEIDON-2 altimeter with two frequencies (13.6 GHz for Ku-band and 5.3 GHz for C-band); the three-frequency Jason-1 microwave radiometer (JMR) with channels at 18.7 GHz, 23.8 GHz, and 34.0 GHz to determine the atmospheric water vapor content in the nadir column in order to correct the radar altimetry measurement; and three tracking systems: DORIS, a Laser Retro-reflector Array (LRA) and a GPS space receiver called the Turbo Rogue Space Receiver (TRSR). The primary tracking systems for T/P were laser ranging and the French DORIS Doppler tracking system. The GPS receiver was flown as a demonstration of the ability of GPS to support high precision POD. With advanced technology, the GPS contribution to the Jason-1 POD is expected to increase.

The DORIS receiver is a radio tracking system developed by CNES, using the Doppler shift of ground beacon signals to provide high precision orbit determination. The onboard package is comprised of the Doppler receiver for Radial Velocity Measurement (MVR), the Ultra Stable Oscillator (USO) housed in a single enclosure providing magnetic shielding, a switch box and an associated antenna. The DORIS receiver on Jason-1 supports the collection of precise Doppler measurements on two radio frequencies (2036.25 MHz and 401.25 MHz). MVR provides a dual terrestrial beacon receiving capability to improve the geometric observability in orbit and an onboard real-time

function called DIODE to compute orbit ephemeris data accurate to 1 meter rms (30 cm for the radial component). Currently, a global network of transmitting beacons is comprised of about 60 stations. In terms of in-flight noise characteristics, the receiver performs better than on T/P ($< 0.4\text{ mm/s}$ vs. 0.5 mm/s). The DORIS/Jason-1 onboard package, including the Doppler receiver, USO and antenna, was subcontracted to Dassault Electronic (now Thomson Detexis) with CEPE for the USO and Starec for the antenna. These contractors also developed the hardware for DORIS/Topex, DORIS/Spot and DORIS/ENVISAT.

The Laser Retroreflector Array (LRA) provides a target for laser tracking measurements and is used to calibrate the POD system. LRA reflects incoming laser beams from the ground allowing the calibration of the radial position of the satellite. The totally passive array, which was designed to reflect laser pulses back to their point of origin on Earth, is placed on the nadir face of the satellite. The unit consists of nine quartz corner cube retro-reflectors arrayed as a truncated cone with one in the center and the other eight distributed azimuthally around the cone to provide a near-hemispherical response. The retro-reflectors are optimized for a wavelength of 532 nanometers (green), offering a field of view of about 100 degrees. The Jason-1 LRA was manufactured by ITE Inc., under contract to NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (NASA/GSFC). The LRA allows the Jason-1 spacecraft to be tracked with the centimeter accuracy by approximately 40 satellites laser ranging (SLR) stations which make up the International Laser Ranging Service (ILRS).

The Turbo Rogue Space Receiver (TRSR) is a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver developed by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) to provide backup precise orbit determination in post-processing with a radial accuracy of better than 2.5 cm. The “BlackJack” GPS Turbo-Rogue Space Receiver can continuously track up to 12 GPS spacecraft simultaneously on two frequencies. From these signals the instrument acquires measurements of the GPS carrier phase (which can be interpreted as range change) with a precision of about 1 mm and the absolute pseudo-range (defined as the absolute range plus receiver time offset from GPS time) with a precision of about 10 cm. The TRSR will also offer onboard solutions for spacecraft position and time accurate to about 50 m and 150 ns, respectively. The onboard package includes two independent single-string receivers in cold redundancy, each comprising an up-looking antenna which provides a nearly hemispherical field of view, low-noise amplifier, crystal oscillator, sampling downconverter, and baseband digital processor. Fabrication of the TRSR flight units has been subcontracted to Spectrum Astro Inc. of Gilbert, Arizona.

The BlackJack GPS receiver uses advanced-codeless tracking techniques to enable the formation of precise pseudorange and carrier-phase observations on the two principle GPS frequencies (L1 and L2) regardless of the encryption status of the GPS constellation. The experimental versions of the receiver are successfully operating on CHAMP (German scientific mission, July 2000-) and SAC-C (Argentine satellite, November 2000-). Spectrum Astro Inc. built advanced versions of the receivers for Jason-1, ICESat (January 2003-) and the

twin GRACE satellites (March 2002-). More on the measurement precision improvement will be discussed in Section 3.1.

1.3 Objectives

Overall objectives of this dissertation are: 1) to evaluate the performance of each measurement type in the combined data to see its advantages and disadvantages, and 2) to maximize each tracking data type for the best accuracy of the Jason-1 orbit. The essential investigations of the dissertation are to determine which combination of measurement types will produce the best orbits, to explore the sensitivity of the orbit to the relative weighting of the data, and to determine the optimal relative weighting of each processed measurement type. Implementation or modification of necessary tools in MSODP to process the combined measurements will be a part of this study. To employ the SLR/DORIS data in MSODP, the SLR/DORIS orbits processed in the MSODP software were verified with the orbits processed in the UTOPIA software used for the T/P orbit determination. Despite its sparseness, SLR tracking is expected to provide an essential role for the orbit centering to constrain the orbit to the reference frame. When the different measurement types are combined, the distinction in the contribution of GPS and DORIS will be an interesting question. The dominant advantage of DORIS tracking is the large number of well-distributed DORIS stations providing near continuous coverage. Since GPS tracking is potentially superior to DORIS as well as its cheap implementation cost, GPS tracking will likely be a significant or primary

tracking type for future altimetric satellites. This study may help to answer the question of whether a GPS receiver should be required on the Ocean Surface Topography Mission (OSTM or Jason-2) scheduled to be launched in 2006 [J. Ries, personal communication, 2002].

The goal of this dissertation for Jason-1 orbit determination is to achieve an orbit accuracy equivalent to or better than currently obtained for T/P, which was ~ 2.5 cm, with an aggressive goal of 1-cm RMS accuracy. To achieve this goal, the full potential of each measurement will be utilized in the combined data by optimizing the procedures and models. The important issues that will be discussed in this dissertation can be summarized as follows:

- The optimal parameterization level will be investigated. Selection of an optimal subarc length for estimation of surface force parameters and empirical acceleration parameters will strengthen the contribution of the dense GPS tracking.
- Gravity models for the best performing Jason-1 orbits will be examined.
- Different solar radiation force models for Jason-1 will be tested. Surface model error can be a major orbit error source due to the small mass-to-area ratio of Jason-1.
- The best estimation strategy for the Center-of-Mass (CoM) offset will be investigated. Especially for GPS, the CoM estimation has proved to be beneficial according to T/P experience.

- The optimal relative weight for the measurement combination will be determined.

Additionally the possibility of improving the orbit accuracy with the selection of the optimal station network is explored.

For Jason-1, ITRF2000 coordinates will be applied to all measurements and among all POD groups. Unlike T/P, using the consistent reference system may reduce the miscentering among external orbits, which might be caused by the usage of different reference frames. The orbit solutions will be assessed with the crossover data test and the SLR residual test, as well as compared to orbits determined by external institutes using various approaches.

1.4 Outline of Study

Chapter 2 introduces the time and coordinate systems, the dynamic models and measurement models implemented in MSODP. The models include force models specific to the Jason-1 satellite and observation models for all three measurement types.

Chapter 3 presents the model improvement of the Jason-1 satellite over its predecessor, T/P. The impact of the force model and measurement model improvement on the possible orbit accuracy for Jason-1 over the present T/P orbit accuracy will be discussed. The measures to assess the orbit performance will also be summarized in this chapter.

In Chapter 4, the Jason-1 GPS tracking data from cycle 8 to cycle 20

will be examined in detail. The GPS-only orbit will then be obtained through many parameterization experiments. Several important issues such as optimal estimation frequency for empirical parameters, center-of-mass (CoM) offset estimation, GPS satellite orbit element correction (OEC) and solar radiation model to determine a best solution will be discussed.

The orbits presented in Chapter 5 are an essential part of this research. In Chapter 5, the SLR and DORIS tracking data for Jason-1 will be combined with the GPS data to determine ‘mixed orbits’. The optimal relative weighting for each measurement type will be explored. Comparison of orbits from each measurement, or from different combinations of each measurement type in MSODP will be conducted to investigate each measurement’s contribution to the Jason-1 POD and to find the combination producing the best performing orbit. The external orbit comparison between POD groups will be also performed.

Chapter 6 will examine the effect of the GPS ground station selection on Jason-1 orbits. The effect of selected ground station numbers and the effect of the hemispherical distribution on the orbit quality will be discussed. Then, the optimal distribution set will be determined, and the orbit performance improvement with the optimal distribution sets will be tested.

Finally, Chapter 7 concludes the study and possibilities for the further precision orbit improvement will be discussed.

Chapter 2

Dynamics and Kinematics

To estimate the precise orbit of Jason-1 by combining all of three types of tracking data, SLR, DORIS and GPS, the MSODP (Multi-Satellite Orbit Determination Program) software is utilized in this study. MSODP, which was implemented by employing a weighted least squares batch estimation procedure [Tapley, 1973], was developed at UT/CSR as an extension of the UTOPIA software for GPS data processing [Rim, 1992]. With the added implementation to process the different types of measurement data simultaneously, the orbit solutions from MSODP using Jason-1 SLR/DORIS were compared and validated with the solution from UTOPIA. UTOPIA is the single satellite orbit determination program at UT/CSR used primarily to process SLR/DORIS data. MSODP and UTOPIA share the same dynamical force models and measurement models for the SLR/DORIS data processing.

The following sections describe the dynamic force models and measurement models implemented in MSODP. The time and coordinate systems, which are the fundamental concepts to understand the dynamic and measurement models, are also briefly introduced in Section 2.1.

2.1 Time and Coordinates

For the orbit determination problem, the descriptions of the motion of the satellite and the tracking system usually involve various time systems and reference frames. For high precision orbit determination, an accurate definition of these reference systems is critical.

Time System

Various time systems are defined on basically three types of periodic processes: 1) solar and sidereal times such as UT, UT1, UT2 and UT1R based on the Earth rotation, 2) dynamic times such as TDT or TBT derived from planetary motions in the solar system, and 3) atomic times such as TAI, UTC or GPS Time defined on the basis of atomic oscillations. The UTC, TDT and GPS time system are the ones mostly used in this study.

The Universal Time Coordinated (UTC) system is a uniform time system tied to TAI (International Atomic Time) that is adjusted to adapt Earth rotation rate changes. UTC and TAI differ only by an integer number of seconds. UTC is derived from TAI, but it is kept close to UT2 by introducing leap seconds when needed. The UTC time system is the time system used for observation time tags for SLR, and TAI is used for DORIS. UTC is also used as a broadcast standard time scale to which tracking stations are synchronized, although GPS time is often used as well.

The GPS time system is used for GPS observation time tags. GPS time differs from UTC by an integer number of seconds. Unlike UTC, however, no

additional leap second adjustments are made for the GPS time system. The relation between UTC and GPS time is disseminated in the GPS satellite broadcasting message. The GPS Week, which is often used for the GPS data, is the number of weeks since January 6, 1980.

The Terrestrial Dynamics Time (TDT) system is a uniform and abstract time scale which is used in the equations of motion of a satellite in the geocentric reference frame. In practice, TDT is realized by the relation with TAI as $TDT = TAI + 32^s.184$. Another dynamic time system called Barycentric Dynamical Time (TDB) is commonly used for the planetary ephemerides. For near-Earth satellites such as Jason-1, the geocentric reference frame is completely adequate, and the barycentric reference frame is unnecessary [Ries *et al.*, 1988].

To summarize, the conversion between the time system can be given as:

$$\begin{aligned} TAI &= GPS + 19.^s000 \\ TAI &= TDT - 32.^s184 \\ TAI &= UTC + 1.^s000 \cdot n \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

where integer number n for leap seconds is reported by the the International Earth Rotation Service (IERS). The GPS time was coincident with UTC at the GPS standard epoch 1980, January 6.^d0.

Coordinate System

Coordinate systems are defined according to the origin, the reference plane and the principal direction in the reference plane. Each coordinate system can be used by convenience for each situation. They are transferable to each other.

The J2000 geocentric inertial coordinate system, or Earth-Centered Inertial (ECI) coordinate system, defined by the mean equator and equinox of epoch J2000 (2000 January 1 12:00 UTC), is used for the numerical integration of the equations of motion of a satellite. Many forces on the satellite such as gravitational perturbations, drags, solar radiation perturbations, etc. are expressed in the body-fixed geocentric rotating system, or the Earth-Centered-Earth-Fixed (ECEF), then transformed to the J2000 (or ECI) frame in MSODP. Planetary ephemerides provided by JPL (DE-200) are given in the J2000 barycentric inertial coordinate system, which are transformed to the ECI frame. For the coordinate transformation, precession and nutation of the Earth, polar motion and variations in the rotation of the Earth (UT1-TAI) are considered.

The international terrestrial reference frames (ITRF) for the positions of tracking stations are realized as ECEF. The terrestrial reference frame used in this research is ITRF2000 for tracking stations of all three measurement types. The ITRF2000 reference frame is a new solution for the SLR, DORIS and GPS tracking stations which has made a significant improvement over previous solutions such as CSR95L01, CSR95D02, and ITRF97, which will be

further discussed in Section 3.1.

The body-fixed topocentric rotating system is used for the measurement model. Furthermore, the coordinate systems related to particularly Jason-1 will be discussed in Section 2.5. Additional information about coordinate systems and transformations between each other can be found in Yuan [1991].

2.2 Overview of Models

The equations of motion of a near-Earth satellite with respect to the J2000 geocentric inertial frame can be expressed as:

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = \vec{a}_g + \vec{a}_{non} \quad (2.2)$$

where \vec{r} is the position of the center of mass of the satellite, \vec{a}_g is the sum of the gravitational perturbations acting on the satellite, and \vec{a}_{non} is the sum of the non-gravitational perturbations acting on the satellite.

The gravitational perturbations composed of the perturbations from the Earth, the other bodies such as the Sun, Moon, and other planets and the general relativity effect:

$$\vec{a}_g = \vec{P}_{geo} + \vec{P}_{stides} + \vec{P}_{otides} + \vec{P}_{rotdef} + \vec{P}_{Nbody} + \vec{P}_{rel} \quad (2.3)$$

where \vec{P}_{geo} is the perturbations due to the geopotential of the Earth, \vec{P}_{stides} is the perturbations due to the solid Earth tides, \vec{P}_{otides} is the perturbations

due to the ocean tides, \vec{P}_{rotdef} is the perturbations due to the rotational deformation, \vec{P}_{Nbody} is the perturbations due to the Sun, moon and other planets, and \vec{P}_{rel} is the perturbations due to the general relativity effect. For details of the gravitational perturbations, Appendix A.1 can be referenced. The non-gravitational perturbations will be further discussed in Section 2.3. Table 2.1 summarizes the dynamic models used in this study.

Dynamic Models	
Gravity	JGM-3 truncated 70×70 GM=398600.44150 km ³ /sec ² Re=6378136.3000 m
Third-Body	JPL DE200
Solid-Earth tide	IERS 96 [Wahr, 1981]
Atmospheric Drag	Density Temperature Model (DTM) [Berger <i>et al.</i> , 1998]
Solar Radiation Pressure	Box-wing model or Cannonball-wing model Umbra and penumbra earth shadow model
Earth Radiation Pressure	Albedo and infrared second-degree zonal model
Relativity perturbation	Point-mass (Schwarzschild) term [Ries, 1989]
GPS satellite orbits	Fixed with the IGS final solution
Numerical integration	Krogh-Shampine-Gorden 14th order, fixed-multi-step integrator. Arc Length: 30 hours with 6 hours overlapped.

Table 2.1: Dynamic Models

The measurement models for each tracking systems and the correction models to them are described in Appendix A.2. Table 2.2 summarizes the measurement correction models which were employed in this study.

Measurement Models	
SLR	SLR data retrieved from CDDIS - Range bias (per arc) estimated for two stations (7237 and 8834) - Elevation cut-off: 10 deg.
DORIS range-rate	DORIS data retrieved from CNES - Frequency bias and tropospheric scale factor estimated for each pass - Elevation cut-off: 5 deg (but all passes must achieve at least 15 deg max elevation) - Timing bias of several microseconds removed from each cycle of DORIS data based on comparison with SLR data
GPS double-differenced	GPS data retrieved from CNES - Preprocessing using the TEXGAP software - Elevation cutoff: 0 deg - Sampling rate: 30 sec - Satellite clock biases are eliminated by forming Double-difference
Troposphere	Mapping functions for dry and wet for GPS and DORIS - Mapping Temperature Test (MTT) model [Herring, 1992] for GPS - Modified Hopfield model [Goad & Goodman, 1974] for DORIS - Marini & Murray [1973] refraction model for SLR
Ionosphere	Not modeled, but eliminated with dual frequencies
Plate motions	ITRF2000
Station coordinates	GPS, SLR and DORIS fixed with ITRF2000 (with a few exceptions)
Station Velocities	ITRF2000
Rot. Deformation	IERS 96
Tide model	IERS 96, ocean loading included
Earth Orientation	IERS EOP-C04 Series
Center of Mass Offset	a priori: X=−94.2 cm, Y=0.0 cm, Z=0.0 cm
Phase Center	a priori: SLR=(22.9, 59.8, 68.3) cm DORIS=(22.9, −59.8, 102.7) cm GPS=(238.91, −21.80, −50.40) cm

Table 2.2: Measurement Models

2.3 Non-gravitational Perturbations

The principal non-gravitational perturbations acting on the near-Earth satellite surfaces may be categorized as:

$$\vec{a}_{non} = \vec{P}_{drag} + \vec{P}_{solar} + \vec{P}_{earth} + \vec{P}_{thermal} + \vec{P}_{empirical} \quad (2.4)$$

where \vec{P}_{drag} is the perturbations due to the atmospheric drag, \vec{P}_{solar} is the perturbations due to the solar radiation pressure, \vec{P}_{earth} is the perturbations due to the Earth radiation pressure, $\vec{P}_{thermal}$ is the perturbations due to the thermal radiation induced by the thermal imbalance in the satellite body, and $\vec{P}_{empirical}$ is the perturbations due to unknown forces which may be represented by the empirical once-per revolution expressions.

For Jason-1, the solar radiation pressure is the main non-gravitational perturbation because of its high altitude, although the drag force is not completely negligible. To model the surface forces properly, the model of the shape and orientation of the satellite is very important. The radiation pressure model for Jason-1 is similar to that used for Topex. The Topex model for the surface forces was developed at the Space Geodesy Branch of NASA Goddard Space Flight Center and the Colorado Center for Astrodynamics Research (CCAR) at the University of Colorado at Boulder [Marshall *et al.*, 1992]. A “micro-model” using a finite element model of the spacecraft was approximated by a relatively simple and less computationally intensive “macro-model”, which is more suitable for precision orbit computations. For the macro-model, a box-wing shape was chosen with the plates aligned along the satellite body-fixed

coordinate system. The non-conservative forces acting on each of the surfaces are computed independently, then the vector accelerations were summarized to compute the total effect on the spacecraft center-of mass. In this research, the simple box-wing model was adopted as a nominal model to compute surface forces on Jason-1. The empirical force model is introduced to accommodate the unknown perturbations caused by the surface model errors.

For GPS satellites, several specific models have been devised for the effect of solar radiation pressure known as ROCK models, which are dependent on the satellite design such as BlockI, BlockII, BlockIIa, and BlockIIR. Their models have been implemented in MSODP. For this research, however, IGS GPS precise orbit solutions have been used without computing the GPS satellite ephemerides in MSODP. Especially, to accommodate the errors from the GPS satellite orbits, the empirical orbit element correction parameters are introduced in Section 4.2.3.

2.3.1 Solar Radiation Pressure Model

Solar radiation pressure is the main effect on the high altitude satellite like Jason-1. Its effect at altitudes above 800 kilometer exceeds the atmosphere drag effect.

The force due to solar radiation pressure based on a box-wing model can be described as [Luthcke & Marshall, 1992]:

$$\vec{P}_{solar} = -P \frac{\alpha \nu}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} A_i \cos \theta_i \left[2 \left(\frac{\delta_i}{3} + \rho_i \cos \theta_i \right) \hat{n}_i + (1 - \rho_i) \hat{s} \right] \quad (2.5)$$

where P is the solar momentum flux, which is $4.56 \times 10^{-6} N/m^2$ at a mean distance of 1 A.U. from the Sun; α is the solar radiation scale factor; ν is the eclipse factor ($\nu = 0$ if the satellite is in full shadow, $\nu = 1$ if the satellite is in full Sun, and $0 < \nu < 1$ if in partial shadow); m is the satellite mass; A_i is the surface area of the i -th plate; θ_i is the angle between surface normal and satellite-Sun vector for the i -th plate; \hat{n}_i is the surface normal unit vector for the i -th plate; \hat{s} is the satellite-Sun unit vector; δ_i is the specular reflectivity for the i -th plate; ρ_i is the diffuse reflectivity for the i -th plate; and, n_f is the total number of plates in the model. Table 2.3 shows the property of each surfaces such as area, specular and diffuse reflectivities. These data in the table was derived from a macro-model for Jason-1, the macro-model with a six-face box was optimally adjusted to reproduce accelerations which already computed using a micro-model. Accelerations due to solar radiation were computed for all possible incoming light directions using the micro-model based on the data provided by the manufacturer. The normal vector for each face (X+, X-, Y+, Y-, Z+, Z-, SA+, SA-) of the box-wing model is specified in the body fixed frame, parallel to the specified coordinate axes and positive in a direction away from the satellite center. The positive solar array normal vector (SA+) is outward from the cell side of the array while the negative normal vector (SA-) is in the opposite direction.

The solar radiation pressure Equation 2.5 can be more simplified by

Jason-1 visible								
surfaces	X+	X−	Y+	Y−	Z+	Z−	SA+	SA−
area [m ²]	1.65	1.65	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	9.8	9.8
specular ref.	0.425	0.408	0.334	0.274	0.236	0.298	0.344	0.004
diffuse ref.	0.178	0.186	0.342	0.369	0.382	0.336	0.006	0.298
absorbed ref.	-0.26	-0.12	0.249	0.297	0.309	0.240	0.647	0.697

Table 2.3: Jason-1 surface visible characteristics

using a simple cannonball model with a wing as [Tapley *et al.*, 1990]:

$$\vec{P}_{rad-body} = -P(1 + \eta)\frac{A}{m}\nu\hat{s} \quad (2.6)$$

where P is the momentum flux due to the Sun; η is the reflectivity coefficient of the satellite; A is the cross-sectional area of the satellite normal to the Sun; m is the mass of the satellite; ν is the eclipse factor; and, \hat{s} is the satellite-Sun unit vector. The solar radiation pressure perturbation on the satellite's solar panels can be also similarly modeled as:

$$\vec{P}_{rad-panels} = -P\nu\frac{|A_p \cos \gamma|}{m}(\hat{s} + \eta_p\hat{n}) \quad (2.7)$$

where A_p is the solar panel area; \hat{n} is the surface normal unit vector of the solar panels; γ is the angle between the solar panel surface normal unit vector (\hat{n}) and satellite-Sun unit vector (\hat{s}); and, $|A_p \cos \gamma|$ is the effective solar panel area perpendicular to \hat{s} . The reflectivity coefficients, η or η_p , represent the averaged effect over the whole satellite body and the two panels, respectively. The values of η , η_p , A , and A_p were derived from the values in Table 2.3. In MSODP, conical and cylindrical shadow models for the Earth and the lunar

shadow are implemented to determine the eclipse factor ν . For this research, the cylindrical shadow model is applied with the modified back difference (MBD) for integration at shadow boundary. The MBD method [Anderle, 1973; Feulner, 1990] is to account for the numerical integration errors, which can occur for satellites in the shadow because of the discontinuities in the solar radiation perturbation across the shadow boundary.

For this study, the box-wing model was adopted as a nominal surface force model. Orbit comparisons from the box-wing model and the cannonball-wing model in Appendix D show that the orbits from the box-wing model generally perform better than the orbits from the cannonball-wing model.

2.3.2 Earth Radiation Model

The radiation pressure from the Earth should be modeled for the precise orbit determination of a near-Earth satellite. Based on the box-wing model, the albedo and infrared accelerations can use a similar acceleration equation to the solar radiation (see Equation 2.5) by changing the radiation flux from the Sun to the Earth and defining θ_i as the angle between the i -th surface normal and the nadir direction. In MSODP, the total perturbation on a satellite of constant cross sectional area and invariant reflective and emissive properties, due to diffuse radiation from all “effective” Earth elements, is implemented as Knocke [1989]:

$$\vec{P}_{earth} = (1 + \eta_e) A' \frac{A_c}{mc} \sum_{j=1}^N [(\tau a E_s \cos \theta_s + e M_b) \hat{r}]_j \quad (2.8)$$

where η_e is the satellite reflectivity for the Earth radiation pressure; A' is the projected and attenuated area of a surface element of the Earth; A_c is the cross sectional area of the satellite; m is the mass of the satellite; c is the speed of light; τ is the indication for shadow (0 if the center of element j is in darkness, 1 if it is in daylight); a and e are albedo and emissivity of the element j respectively; E_s is the solar momentum flux density at 1 A.U.; θ_s is the solar zenith angle; M_b is the exitance of the Earth; \hat{r} is the unit vector from the center of the element j to the satellite; and, N is the total number of effective Earth segments.

The albedo and emissivity are modified using a second degree spherical harmonic expansion to account for latitudinal variation in Earth radiation and the seasonally dependent latitudinal asymmetry [Stephens *et al.*, 1981; Knocke, 1989]:

$$a = a_0 + a_1 P_{10}(\sin \phi) + a_2 P_{20}(\sin \phi) \quad (2.9)$$

$$e = e_0 + e_1 P_{10}(\sin \phi) + e_2 P_{20}(\sin \phi) \quad (2.10)$$

where $a_1 = c_0 + c_1 \cos[\omega(t - t_0)] + c_2 \sin[\omega(t - t_0)]$; $e_1 = k_0 + k_1 \cos[\omega(t - t_0)] + k_2 \sin[\omega(t - t_0)]$; P_{10} and P_{20} are the first and second degree Legendre polynomial; ϕ is the latitude of the center of the element on the Earth's surface; ω is the frequency of the periodic terms; and, $t - t_0$ is the time since the epoch of the periodic terms. In this case, only the dominant annual frequency was included.

2.3.3 Thermal Radiation Pressure

Thermal radiation pressure is generated by the imbalance of the internal and external heat fluxes. It depends on the shape, the thermal property, the pattern of thermal dumping, orbit characteristics, and the thermal environment of the satellite. Internally, the equipment dissipates radiation which serves to heat the satellite surfaces. Externally, the solar radiation, albedo, and infrared fluxes cause surface heating. For T/P, the force exerted on the flat plates due to thermal emission was modeled as [Marshall *et al.*, 1992]:

$$\vec{P}_{thermal} = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{\sigma}{c} \frac{A_i \epsilon_i}{m} T_i^4 \hat{n}_i \quad (2.11)$$

where σ is the Stefan-Boltzman constant ($5.66\text{E-}08 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}^4$); c is the speed of light; m is the mass of the satellite; A_i is the surface area of the i -th plate; ϵ_i is the surface emissivity for the i -th plate ; T_i is the temperature (Kelvin) for the i -th plate ; and, \hat{n}_i is the normal unit vector for the i -th plate. For this model, the temperature history algorithm similar to the one defined by Theillier [1988] was used. In order to take into account the thermal emissivity in routine operation, resulting from the energy dissipated by the various instruments and radiated through the radiators, one can also add a constant bias force fixed with respect to the satellite's frame as shown in Table 2.4, which has been provided by CNES for JASON-1 POD.

For this research, Table 2.4 has been adopted as the thermal radiation pressure model¹ for Jason-1 POD instead of using Equation 2.11. However,

¹In MSODP or UTOPIA, the XBIAS card is assigned as 187 (=90,000/481), the YBIAS

emissivity	radiated power [W]	force [μN]
x_s	40	0.09
y_s	80	0.18
z_s	0-8	0.0

Table 2.4: Jason-1 thermal imbalance provided by CNES

the T/P experience has shown that the thermal radiation pressure may be disregarded when adjusting empirical acceleration parameters.

2.3.4 Atmospheric Drag Model

The atmospheric drag model also requires a geometrical model of the spacecraft. For T/P POD, a box-wing model, where the spacecraft is represented as a combination of one box and a connected solar array, was tested. The drag acceleration was computed for each individual plate with the help of the yaw steering model to get the area projected in the direction of the relative wind, and the sum over the box and solar array was used for the net acceleration. With the box-wing model, therefore, the atmospheric drag can be expressed as:

$$\vec{P}_{drag} = -\frac{1}{2}\rho\frac{C_d}{m}V_r\vec{V}_r\sum_{i=1}^{n_f}A_i\cos\theta_i \quad (2.12)$$

where ρ is the atmospheric density; \vec{V}_r is the satellite velocity relative to the atmosphere; V_r is the magnitude of \vec{V}_r ; m is the satellite mass; C_d is the

card as 374 (=180,000/481). Note that the scale factor of 10^{-12} [m/s²] is used in MSODP or UTOPIA.

drag scaling coefficient; A_i is the surface area of the i -th plate; θ_i is the angle between the surface normal of the i -th plate and the satellite velocity vector; and, n_f is the number of plates.

By using a cannon-ball model with a panel, equation 2.12 can be simplified as:

$$\vec{P}_{drag} = -\frac{1}{2}\rho \frac{(C_d^B A_B + C_d^P |A_P \cos \gamma|)}{m} V_r \vec{V}_r \quad (2.13)$$

where C_d^B and C_d^P are the drag coefficients for satellite body and panel respectively; A_B and A_P are the cross-sectional area of the main satellite body perpendicular to \vec{V}_r and the solar panel area respectively; γ is the angle between the solar panel surface normal unit vector and satellite velocity vector; and, $|A_P \cos \gamma|$ is the effective solar panel area perpendicular to the satellite velocity vector. From the T/P POD experience, using either the box-wing or the cannonball-wing does not make much difference in the orbit solutions. The empirical parameters are able to accommodate the difference.

For the atmospheric density, several empirical density models such as the Jacchia 77 [Jacchia, 1977] and the Density Temperature Model (DTM) [Barlier *et al.*, 1977] are available. The updated DTM model [Berger *et al.*, 1998] has been used for this research.

2.3.5 Empirical Force Model

Empirical force modeling is useful in accommodating unmodeled or mismodeled forces by estimating empirical model parameters, when solving

orbital parameters. To accommodate mismodeled constant forces such as drag, the acceleration can be expressed with the constants of radial, transverse and normal components. Many mismodeled forces are known to show a one cycle-per-revolution (1-cpr) frequency associated with the satellite orbital period. To accommodate the periodic mismodeled or unmodeled forces, an empirical acceleration model with periodic coefficients is introduced as:

$$\vec{P}_{empirical} = \begin{bmatrix} (C_R + R_c \cos u + R_s \sin u) \hat{u}_R \\ (C_T + T_c \cos u + T_s \sin u) \hat{u}_T \\ (C_N + N_c \cos u + N_s \sin u) \hat{u}_N \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.14)$$

where u is the argument of latitude of the satellite; C_R , C_T and C_N are the constant acceleration of the radial, transverse and normal direction respectively; R_c and R_s are the cosine and sine parts of the 1-cpr radial acceleration; T_c and T_s are the cosine and sine parts of the 1-cpr transverse acceleration; and N_c and N_s are the cosine and sine parts of the 1-cpr normal acceleration. The along-track (or transverse) constant acceleration, C_T , is particularly effective in accommodating mismodeled drag forces. In practice, it is not necessary to estimate both the radial and transverse periodic terms, and these can be shown to have the same effect on the orbit when adjusted. In addition, C_R and C_N are typically not estimated. The dramatic improvement of Jason-1 orbits by introduction of the empirical parameters to the two different surface force models, box-wing model and cannonball-wing model, was shown in Appendix D. Further information on the empirical acceleration parameters can be found in Colombo [1989] and Tapley *et al.* [1994].

2.4 Center of Mass and Phase Center

Due to the special design and alignment of the fuel tanks on Jason-1, its center of mass as a whole including both body and solar panels is constrained to move only along the x-coordinate during the full longevity of the satellite in orbit.

Table 2.5 shows the spacecraft mass just after deployment in orbit. The spacecraft mass is 489.1 kg, and its center of mass is located at 935 mm from the reference point on the spacecraft body toward the positive x-direction. Once 8 kg of hydrazine have been used, its center of location moves further as much as 7 cm toward the positive x-direction from the original center of mass location. Since the expected cost of the station acquisition for whole longevity is around 5 to 6 kg, Table 2.5 suggests that the center of mass would be somewhere between 935 and 942 mm, unless much more than 8 kg is used for the station acquisition. The engineering estimates of the center of mass was 937 mm, after 1.7 kg of fuel have been consumed to put its final orbit.

	Mass [<i>kg</i>]	x-center of mass [<i>mm</i>]
Just after deployment in orbit	489.1	935
After 8 kg hydrazine consumption	481.1	942

Table 2.5: x-component of the center of mass with respect to the reference point

The locations of both the center of mass and the phase centers are measured from a fixed reference point on the spacecraft body. Table 2.6 shows the phase centers of the various instruments of Jason-1 in the satellite frame.

	x [mm]	y [mm]	z [mm]
Altimeter	1616.0	0.0	477.5
DORIS 2 GHz	1171.0	- 598.0	1027.0
DORIS 400 MHz	1171.0	- 598.0	859.0
LRA (optical center)	1171.0	598.0	682.8
GPS 1 - L1	2408.0	219.7	-537.2
GPS 1 - L2	2420.1	220.7	-558.3
GPS 2 - L1	2408.0	-219.7	-537.1
GPS 2 - L2	2420.2	-220.8	-558.5

Table 2.6: Instruments phase centers with respect to the reference point

The two DORIS receivers are connected to the same antenna. The export data is referenced to the 2 GHz frequency, but the position of the phase center for the DORIS 400 MHz is not required. For the Turbo-Rogue GPS Space Receiver (TRSR), the two receivers are connected to independent antennas. The GPS-2 receiver is turned on after the launch. The GPS-1 receiver is a redundancy. The receivers are located on the front-up side to direct the GPS satellites. For this research, the ionosphere-free combination of L1 and L2, which is called L_C , has been used (see Equation A.45). The GPS phase center estimation is attempted in Section 4.2.1, where the determination of new center of mass location and phase center offset by using the GPS data is further discussed. For the LRA, an additional constant correction of 4.9 cm has been adopted among the POD group.

2.5 Jason-1 Coordinate Systems and Yaw Steering

Orbit parameters of a satellite tend to change over time as a result of atmospheric drag. In the long term, more or less periodic variations also occur due to instabilities in the Earth's gravity field, solar radiation pressure, and other forces of smaller magnitude.

Orbit maneuvers for Jason-1 are performed every 40 to 200 days. Intervals between maneuvers depend mainly on solar flux, and each maneuver lasts 20 to 60 minutes. If possible, they are performed above solid earth and at the end of the orbit cycle, as shown in Table 4.1, to minimize altimeter data loss.

Attitude control is based on star tracker, gyros and reaction wheels. The sensors of Jason-1, like its predecessor T/P, require that the satellites be nadir pointing, but rotations about the satellite vertical axis are not constrained. The satellite body yaw motions are controlled by the On-Board Computer (OBC) controls to satisfy the instrument requirements while keeping the solar array pointed towards the sun.

There are three coordinates systems and three angles of interest to understand Jason-1 yaw maneuvers, as illustrated in Figure 2.1. The first is an orbit inertial system, which is earth-centered with

\vec{X}_0 normal to the satellite orbit plane

\vec{Y}_0 in the orbit plane and normal to the earth-to-sun vector such

that $(\vec{X}_0 \times \vec{Y}_0 = \vec{Z}_0)$

\vec{Z}_0 along the projection of the earth-to-sun vector into the orbit plane

The second coordinate system is the satellite position system, which is satellite-centered with

\vec{X}_p tangent to the orbit plane such that $(\vec{X}_p \times \vec{Y}_p = \vec{Z}_p)$

\vec{Y}_p normal to the orbit plane ($\vec{Y}_p = \vec{Z}_p \times \vec{V}$)

\vec{Z}_p along the satellite-to-earth vector (nadir direction)

\vec{X}_p , \vec{Y}_p and \vec{Z}_p directions are also called simply T (or along-track), N (or normal), and R (or radial) direction respectively.

The third coordinate system is the satellite vehicle system or the satellite body-fixed system, which is satellite-centered and fixed to the satellite with

\vec{X}_v along the satellite centerline, positive in the direction from the

Multi-Mission Modular Spacecraft (MSS) through the Instrument Module (roll axis)

\vec{Y}_v such that $(\vec{X}_v \times \vec{Y}_v = \vec{Z}_v)$ (pitch axis, parallel to solar array axis)

\vec{Z}_v along the satellite-to-earth vector, positive in the nadir direction (yaw axis)

\vec{X}_v is oriented yaw angle Ψ from \vec{X}_p by positive rotation about \vec{Z}_p .

The yaw angle Ψ of the satellite is controlled according to β' and Ω to allow

near perfect pointing of the solar array to the Sun. β' is the angle between the sun vector and the orbit plane and Ω is the orbit angle measured from the \vec{X}_0 axis by positive rotation about \vec{X}_0 . “Orbit 6 am” means $\Omega = 0^\circ$, and “Orbit noon” means $\Omega = 90^\circ$. Note that at an orbit altitude of 1334 km, β' oscillates between approximately $+88^\circ$ and -88° . When β' is between $+55.8^\circ$ and -55.8° , the satellite will experience solar occultations each orbit. Occultations reach a maximum near 35 minutes at $\beta' = 0^\circ$.

Table 2.7 shows the yaw-angle governing equations for each yaw control mode. The sinusoidal yaw command, which commands the satellite to yaw sinusoidally as a function of satellite orbit angle, was originally adopted for the Topex OBC control to provide for near perfect sun pointing of the solar array, without excessive yaw angular rates for the Dry Rotor Inertial Reference Unit (DRIRU) gyros [Perrygo, 1987]. At low β' values, the control gyros are unable to follow the large sinusoidal yaw commands and the OBC switches to a fixed yaw mode of operation. The switch typically occurs at a β' value of 15° or -15° . Note that the solar angles (β') and orbit angles (Ω) for yaw steering mode boundary values indicated in the Table 2.7 are adopted as the nominal values for both T/P and Jason-1. However, they may be changed at anytime by ground controllers. Whenever the sun passes through the orbit plane (if β' changes sign), the satellite reverses itself performing a 180° yaw flip maneuver. This occurs five or six times per year. The ramps and flips are conducted very quickly for Jason-1 compared to T/P, due to Jason-1’s smaller inertia. The attitude transition of Jason-1, unlike T/P, can be treated

as nearly instantaneous.

MSODP utilizes a sequence-of-events (SOE) file converted from a satellite attitude events file provided by CNES for the POD team, which is attached in Appendix B.1. Quaternions were also provided. Table 2.8 summarizes Jason-1 yaw transition events occurred during cycle 1 to 20 (see Table 4.1 for the cycle definition). Care needs to be taken when determining the orbits for cycles 13 and 18, because Jason-1 is in the fixed yaw mode since the later part of cycle 12 to cycle 13, and cycle 18 to the early part of cycle 19.

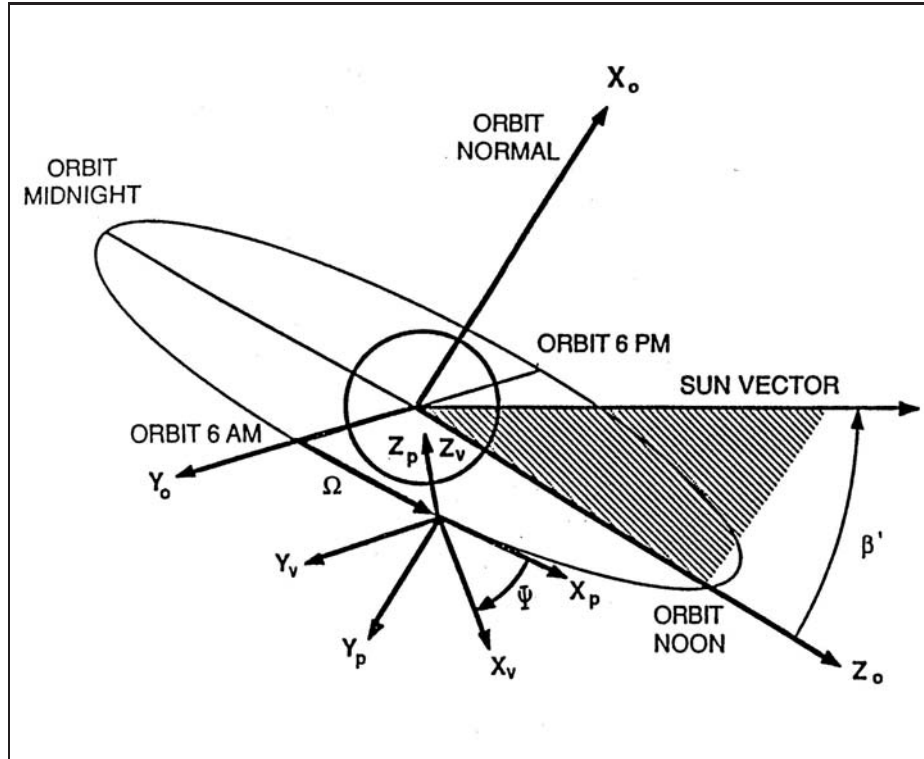


Figure 2.1: Jason-1 Coordinate Systems: orbit inertial system $(\vec{X}_0, \vec{Y}_0, \vec{Z}_0)$, satellite centered position system $(\vec{X}_p, \vec{Y}_p, \vec{Z}_p)$, and satellite body-fixed system $(\vec{X}_v, \vec{Y}_v, \vec{Z}_v)$

Yaw angle (Ψ)	Sun angle (β')	Orbit angle (Ω)
Fixed:		
$\Psi = 0^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \leq \beta' < 15^\circ$	
$\Psi = 180^\circ$	$-15^\circ < \beta' \leq -0.1^\circ$	
$\Psi = 90^\circ$	$\beta' \geq 80^\circ$	
$\Psi = -90^\circ$	$\beta' \leq -80^\circ$	
Ramp Up (fixed yaw to sinusoidal):		
$\Psi = \frac{\beta'}{2}[1 - \cos(2(\Omega + 90^\circ))]$	$\beta' = 15^\circ$	$90^\circ \leq \Omega \leq 180^\circ$
$\Psi = \frac{\beta'}{2}[1 - \cos(2(\Omega + 90^\circ))] - 180^\circ$	$\beta' = -15^\circ$	$270^\circ \leq \Omega \leq 360^\circ$
Ramp Down (sinusoidal to fixed yaw):		
$\Psi = \frac{\beta'}{2}[1 - \cos(2(\Omega + 90^\circ))]$	$\beta' = 15^\circ$	$180^\circ \leq \Omega \leq 270^\circ$
$\Psi = \frac{\beta'}{2}[1 - \cos(2(\Omega + 90^\circ))] - 180^\circ$	$\beta' = -15^\circ$	$0^\circ \leq \Omega \leq 90^\circ$
Nominal (sinusoidal):		
$\Psi = [90^\circ + (90^\circ - \beta') \cos \Omega]$	$\beta' > 15^\circ$	
$\Psi = [-90^\circ - (90^\circ + \beta') \cos \Omega]$	$\beta' < -15^\circ$	
Flip:		
$\Psi = -90^\circ(1 + \cos \Omega)$	$0^\circ \leq \beta' < 0.1^\circ$	$-180^\circ \leq \Omega \leq 0^\circ$
$\Psi = -90^\circ[1 + \cos(\Omega + 180^\circ)]$	$-0.1^\circ < \beta' < 0^\circ$	$-180^\circ \leq \Omega \leq 0^\circ$

Table 2.7: Governing equations of Yaw Steering Modes for T/P and Jason-1: The ramps and flips of Jason-1 are conducted very quickly for Jason-1 compared to T/P, due to its smaller moment of inertia.

Date	Time	Transition	β'
2002/01/06 (doy 006)	15:46	sinusoidal to fix 0°	$\sim -15^\circ$
2002/01/12 (doy 012)	16:30	fix 0° to fix 180°	0°
2002/01/18 (doy 018)	17:24	fix 180° to sinusoidal	16°
2002/03/11 (doy 070)	05:15	sinusoidal to fix 180°	15°
2002/03/16 (doy 075)	02:43	fix 180° to fix 0°	0°
2002/03/21 (doy 080)	00:27	fix 0° to sinusoidal	$\sim -14^\circ$
2002/05/11 (doy 131)	12:16	sinusoidal to fix 0°	$\sim -15.7^\circ$
2002/05/17 (doy 137)	16:41	fix 0° to fix 180°	0°
2002/05/23 (doy 143)	13:52	fix 180° to sinusoidal	15°
2002/07/02 (doy 183)	04:29	sinusoidal to fix 180°	
2002/07/08 (doy 189)	04:14	fix 180° to fix 0°	
2002/07/14 (doy 195)	02:20	fix 0° to sinusoidal	

Table 2.8: Jason-1 Yaw Transition

Chapter 3

Model Improvement and Orbit Performance Tests

3.1 Model Improvement of Jason-1 over Topex

The radial orbit error for the Jason-1 Geophysical Data Records (GDR), which consist of altimeter measurements, sea surface heights, and nominal orbits predicting the location of the satellite, is required to be less than 2.5 cm with the goal of 1 cm. Table 3.1 shows an estimate of the radial orbit error budget from each error source for T/P. The error budget in the table can also be applied to Jason-1, since the satellite relies upon many of the same models as T/P.

Over the past decade, the orbit error from the gravity model has been significantly reduced due to gravity model improvement. With the knowledge that the gravity model was the primary error source for the radial orbit error, intense efforts had been made during the early T/P project. The efforts resulted in the dramatic reduction of radial orbit error for the T/P orbit to 2.3 cm accuracy level using the Joint Gravity Model (JGM-3) [Tapley *et al.*, 1996] from well above 50 cm level when using the Goddard Earth Model (GEM)-10B [Lerch *et al.*, 1981], the best general gravity models available in the early

	TOPEX/POSEIDON [Unit: mm]			
Error source	Mission specification	JGM-2	JGM-3	goal
Static gravity	100	22	9	4
Earth and ocean tides	30	13	7	4
Temporal gravity ¹	N.A.	8	8	4
Surface forces ²	70	15-25	10-15	5
rad(s,e and thml)	60	20		
drag	30	10		
Data errors ³	10	5-10	5-10	4
troposphere				
cg offset				
attitude				
Station location ⁴	20	10	5	4
(\vec{r}, \vec{v})				
geocenter				
Radial Orbit RSS	130	35-40	20-25	~10

¹ seasonal and other temporal variations other than tides

² solar, terrestrial and thermal radiation, atmospheric drag, bias forces

³ data noise, biases, troposphere, cg-offset errors, attitude errors

⁴ includes station position and velocity errors, geocenter motion

Table 3.1: Radial Orbit Error Budget for Topex/Poseidon [Chelton *et al.*, 2001]

1980s. The JGM-3 model was a production from the addition of the T/P GPS tracking data to the previously available JGM-2 model [Nerem *et al.*, 1994] which resulted from the early post-launch T/P SLR and DORIS tracking data.

The GRACE (Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment) mission, launched on March 17, 2002, is expected to further improve the static and temporal gravity models. This dedicated gravity mission, a joint project between NASA and the Deutsches Zentrum für Luft und Raumfahrt (DLR), has already shown unprecedented improvement in the mean earth gravity field and the seasonal variations. The science data from the GRACE mission will be used to estimate global models for the mean and time variable Earth gravity field approximately every 30 days for the 5 year lifetime of the mission. Analyses of the altimeter data will continue to improve the ocean tidal models. The dominant temporal gravity feature is the seasonal migration of mass between the atmosphere, oceans, and solid earth. To achieve the 1-cm radial rms goal, the error from the temporal gravity may need to be accounted for. In Section 5.5, several gravity models including JGM-3 and a recent preliminary GRACE gravity model will be tested and compared for the Jason-1 radial orbit accuracy.

Because of the significant improvements in the gravity model, the surface force models have become a comparable source of orbit error. The greatest challenge, to achieve the 1-cm orbit accuracy for Jason-1 and altimeter satellites in the future, will be surface force model improvement. As shown in Table 3.1 the error reduction from the surface model improvement has not been suf-

ficient. Due to the high altitude of Jason-1, solar radiation and earth radiation force model are more important than drag forces. Even earth radiation force by itself exceeds the drag acceleration. To make it worse, the mass-to-area ratio of Jason-1 is less than half the mass-to-area ratio of T/P as shown in Table 3.2 and Table 3.3. Table 3.2 compares the masses of Jason-1 and T/P and it shows that the mass of T/P is more than 5 times that of Jason-1. Table 3.3 shows the comparison of the surface sizes of the two spacecraft. The decrease of the mass-to-area ratio means that radiation forces and drag forces become more important than other forces as shown in Equations 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8 and 2.12. Orbit maneuvers are also affected by the decreased mass-to-area ratio. To satisfy the same constraints and requirements as T/P, more frequent maneuvers are needed for Jason-1. Most of the maneuvers are performed at the cycle boundaries and the ground tracks are maintained within ± 1 km.

	Jason-1	T/P
platform	275	934
payload module	64	803
payload	110	407
launch vehicle adapter+ballast	12	132
propellant+ pressurant	28	219
total satellite	489.1	2495

Table 3.2: Masses of the spacecraft [Unit: kg]

The key factor in overcoming the surface force modeling limitation and more frequent attitude control problem is the dense, continuous and precise

Area [m^2]		
area	T/P	Jason-1
X+	4.71	1.65
X−	4.71	1.65
Y+	8.18	3.0
Y−	8.18	3.0
Z+	8.32	3.1
Z−	8.32	3.1
SA+	25.50	9.8
SA−	25.50	9.8

Table 3.3: Surface Size

tracking data with improved measurement precision and increased coverage. A strategy is typically adopted which consists of estimating a set of empirical accelerations to absorb the errors in the surface model that still remain, which could compromise the orbit accuracy if not accomodated. The more robust GPS data should also support a higher level of parameterization of the surface forces and heavier parameterization for empirical accelerations so that the contribution from this error source to the radial orbit error may be substantially reduced. In Appendix D, the effect of different surface force models and empirical acceleration strategies on the orbit accuracy was examined.

Data errors have been reduced by the improvement of the tracking precision. Table 3.4 shows the precision comparison of each measurement system for T/P and Jason-1. Compared with the GPS receiver on T/P, performance of the GPS TRSR on Jason-1 is significantly improved. For Jason-1, the precision requirement for Lc pseudo range and Lc phase measurement is 30 cm

type	T/P	Jason-1
Laser	0.5-5 cm	similar to T/P
DORIS	0.45 mm/s	0.38 mm/s
GPS	50 cm (Lc pseudo) 2~5 mm (Lc phase)	~20 cm ~ 1 mm

Table 3.4: Tracking Precision Improvement

and 2 mm, respectively. Actual measurement precisions satisfy the mission requirement, as shown in Table 3.4.

The strong tracking capability of Low-Earth Orbiters (LEO) is one of the contributions to a more accurate radial RMS orbit. The tracking capability of GPS satellites by Jason-1 has increased to 8.5 satellites on average with a maximum of twelve, which is superior to the hardware-limited tracking capability by T/P that is 5.5 satellites on average with a maximum of six.

Over the last decade, radial accuracies of the GPS satellite orbits provided by IGS, which are generally determined by the inter-comparison between the orbits from seven analysis centers contributing to the final IGS orbits such as Center for Orbit Determination in Europe (CODE) and JPL, have been improved to 8~10 cm from 25~30 cm in the 1990s. The large miscentering observed in the GPS orbit solution of T/P [Bertiger *et al.*, 1994] as mentioned in Section 1.3 can be reduced by the improvement of GPS satellite orbits.

DORIS tracking has also improved. Each component of DORIS such as ground beacons, MVR and on-board Ultra Stable Oscillator (OB-USO) has improved. New beacon USOs with improved performances of better short

term relative stability were replaced. Some beacons in Time and Frequency reference beacons were upgraded to improve DORIS on-board time monitoring with respect to TAI. The short-term stability of the OB-USO was increased by about 50% and the short term error on 2 GHz Doppler measurement was improved to 0.11 mm/s from 0.25 mm/s of T/P. The consistency and accuracy of the beacons coordinates (location and velocity) have improved with more DORIS beacons collocated with other geodetic technique ground equipments such as GPS, VLBI and SLR. The beacon numbers have increased to about 60 compared with approximately 50 for T/P. Thus, Jason-1 orbit coverage and geometrical observability by DORIS have improved. However, it has been noted that the USO on Jason-1 is much more susceptible to radiation effects, particularly in the area of the South Atlantic Anomaly, leading to a serious degradation of the DORIS system.

The SLR system also continues to be improved. The addition of a new SLR tracking station in South Africa (Hartebeesthoek) will significantly improve the geographical coverage of SLR tracking. The ultra-mobile French Transportable Laser Ranging Station (FTLRS) which is being developed in co-operation with IGN (Institut Géodynamique National), CNES and OCA/CERGA (Observatoire de la Côte d’Azur/Centre d’Etudes et de Recherches en Géodynamique et Astronomie) will provide inexpensive and more compact SLR network with requirement of 5-photoelectron return at 30-degree elevation in standard clear sky (visibility = 15 km, mean cirrus). The LRA allows the Jason-1 spacecraft to be tracked with centimeter accuracy by approximately 40 satellite laser

ranging (SLR) stations. The LRA on Jason-1 is a heritage of the GFO design and the improved LRA design on Jason-1 leads to smaller target interaction effects. Consequently, SLR fits on Jason-1 are routinely better than T/P. Advances in the DORIS and SLR systems along with the improvement of GPS tracking are expected to help to achieve the challenging 1-cm rms of the radial orbit error.

The accuracy of the terrestrial reference system has also improved, as long time series and multiple geodetic methods are combined to provide better estimates of the tracking station positions and velocities. The determination of the SLR, DORIS and GPS station positions and velocities has steadily improved, and the new ITRF2000 solutions brought the various reference systems into a common frame.

Prior to the Jason-1 mission, CNES and NASA had utilized different station location information for SLR and DORIS. NASA used CSR95L01 for SLR and CSR95D02 for the DORIS station velocities; CNES used ITRF97. Ries *et al.* [2000] has shown that the Z-bias between NASA and CNES orbits for T/P appeared to be caused by using different reference frames. The Z-bias from the comparison between CSR orbits and NASA/GSFC orbits for T/P cycle 120 to 140 is 3 mm on average, ranging between -2 mm and 10 mm. The average of the Z-bias between CSR orbits and CNES orbits is -7 mm, but ranging between -30 mm and 10 mm. A large part of this Z-bias originated from the usage of different reference frames. For Jason-1, ITRF2000 will be used for both SLR/DORIS and GPS stations among all POD groups.

The test of the reference frame transition from CSR95L01/CSR95D02 to ITRF2000 for SLR/DORIS with ten cycles of T/P by Ries *et al.* [2001] has also shown that the orbit performance from ITRF2000 reference system is comparable to the orbit from CSR95L01/CSR95D02 in terms of the altimeter crossover RMS. The fits to the SLR and DORIS were generally as good or better, and the agreement between the CSR and NASA/GSFC orbits was actually improved. There was a small shift of less than a centimeter between the orbits from the reference frames along the Z-direction, translating into a negligible effect on global mean sea level (< 1 mm).

3.2 Orbit Performance Tests

The orbit accuracy assessment is the estimation of the difference between the computed orbit and the true orbit. Since we cannot know the true orbit, we use other orbits that are assumed to be close to the true orbit as one aspect of this assessment. One can use internal comparisons or external comparisons among independently determined orbits based on independent measurement types or independent software configurations. Comparisons of post-fit residuals and comparisons of two orbits generated with two different tracking data sets sharing a overlapped subset are often used for internal orbit accuracy assessments. For the external assessments, orbits computed from independent tracking systems can be compared. The different measurement types of T/P and Jason-1 provide opportunities for many different independent orbit solutions. Finally, the high elevation SLR data provides a strong

measure of the absolute radial orbit accuracy.

The orbit error in the radial direction is the most critical to the overall altimeter height error budget. The error in the transverse and normal directions is generally on the order of three to five times larger than the radial orbit error, but this is more than adequate for altimeter purposes.

Post-fit Residual Test

The post-fit residual RMS is a measure of how well the computed orbit fits the tracking data. Thus, it is indicative both of the model accuracy and of the data quality. For 10-day T/P arcs, the most recent models produced fits of approximately 2 cm for the SLR data, and 0.48~0.55 mm/s for the DORIS data [see pg. 83 of Chelton *et al.*, 2001; Zelensky *et al.*, 2002]. For Jason-1, the fit residuals for the DORIS data have been reduced to 0.38~0.42 mm/s [Zelensky *et al.*, 2002]. The post-fit residuals of double-differenced carrier-phase GPS data are typically about 1.3 cm for Jason-1.

A consistent post-fit residual RMS that is not too sensitive to the variability in the amount of tracking data indicates a stable parameterization choice. By introducing enough empirical parameters into the orbit solution, it is possible to reduce the residual RMS to the measurement noise level. However, over-parameterization of the orbit may lead to unstable solutions and poor orbit performance. Thus, the residual RMS as a measure of the orbit accuracy needs to be interpreted cautiously along with other performance tests.

Overlap Comparison

The overlap comparison is a useful test to check the internal orbit consistency, although it needs to be interpreted carefully because some of the tracking data in the overlap periods are used in both orbit fits. The RMS difference in the radial direction should be within a cm level, although it can vary depending on data outage of some stations, GPS satellite performance and the parameterization strategy. Attempting heavy parameterization for an arc without enough tracking data can cause a higher overlap difference. If any GPS satellite passes through the Earth's shadow during the arc, it can also cause inconsistent overlap differences. Since the overlap test usually shows some anomaly in the orbits during the time frame of attitude control or data shortage, the parameterization needs to be varied accordingly.

For the overlap comparison, several-hour overlap lengths are generally chosen to avoid the orbit irregularity near the end points of the arc. In this research, the arc lengths of 30 hours were integrated with the consideration of 3-hour overlap comparison from each arc's ends, and the middle 24-hour solutions were merged to form a full ten-day repeat cycle orbit.

High Elevation SLR Residuals Test

The residual RMS of the SLR range biases is obtained by postprocessing high-elevation SLR passes through the orbit to be tested. The range bias of the SLR data indicates the combined level of radial and cross-track orbit error in the pass at the point of closest approach to the laser observatory. As the

elevation angle of the pass increases, the mean error in the station-to-satellite range approaches the radial orbit error separated from the cross-track errors, assuming that the actual station biases are small enough to be negligible. For high-elevation passes, the cross-track orbit errors contribute very little to the range biases. The global RMS of the range biases from the high-elevation pass test yields a precise and absolute measure of the radial orbit error. It is one of the most accurate and reliable indicators of the radial orbit accuracy, especially when the orbit to be tested did not include any SLR tracking.

The assessment test for this research was restricted to the SLR passes with high-elevation greater than 70 degrees. For each pass, a range bias was determined using laser range observations made over 70 degree elevation. The RMS of the range biases for the high-elevation passes is typically on the order of 2 cm for T/P [Ries & Tapley, 1999].

External Orbit Comparison

Another very useful measure of the orbit quality is the comparison of orbits determined from outside institutes independently with different tracking systems and different orbit estimation strategies. Five groups (CNES, DEOS, GSFC, JPL and UT/CSR) contributed multiple solutions as a part of a Jason-1 POD collaboration. The Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) provided GPS orbits from their reduced dynamic approach software, GIPSY/OASIS. Willis *et al.* [2002] from the Institut Géographique National (IGN) also provided independent orbit solutions adapting JPL's analysis software to process DORIS

data with GPS data. The Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) of NASA provided GPS-only solutions and SLR/DORIS solutions separately. Centre National d'Etudes Spatiale (CNES) in Toulouse also produced SLR/DORIS and GPS-only orbits by using both the dynamic and the reduced-dynamic approach.

The Center for Space Research of the University of Texas (UT/CSR) at Austin provided separate SLR/DORIS solutions independent of this research. This work contributes additional precise orbits by processing GPS tracking alone or SLR/DORIS/GPS tracking all together simultaneously. Both NASA and CSR employed the dynamic approach. Although each institute's analysis systems were developed independently, they share some common models. The agreement between the various orbits should be a strong indication to the radial orbit error, because they are obtained with different software and configurations, and with almost all of the possible combinations of the available data types of DORIS, SLR and GPS.

The comparison of external orbits also provides a way to examine the orbit miscentering effect possibly caused by using different reference frames or different tracking data types. To examine the orbit centering, the biases in the three directions (X, Y and Z) of the body-fixed frame will be compared. As discussed previously, a Z-bias of larger than 3 cm can sometimes be seen in the comparison between some orbits. The mean values of the altimeter crossover data can also provide a measure of the orbit centering in the inertial frame as discussed in the next section. The actual comparison of external orbits will be

discussed in Section 5.6.

Orbit Assessment with Altimeter Crossovers

The altimeter data serve as an independent check of the orbit accuracy, since they are not used directly in the determination of the satellite orbit. To use the altimeter data as a global independent measure of the satellite orbit assessment, orbit error must be differentiated from other more dominant signals in the altimeter data. To this end, altimeter crossovers are formed by differencing two interpolated altimeter measurements at the crossing point of an ascending and descending track [Shum *et al.*, 1990]. Forming altimeter crossovers can remove the dominant and constant signals in the altimeter residuals such as the marine geoid model error and the quasi-stationary sea surface topography model error. Static errors such as the altimeter height bias and the mean component of the orbit error can also be eliminated. By forming crossovers, however, the effect of temporally varying errors from media, tides, inverted barometer, instrument noise, temporal sea surface changes, etc. may build up instead of being eliminated because of the time differences of the two passes. Thus, the altimeter crossover residuals are influenced by time-varying oceanography.

The magnitude of the crossover residuals can be modeled as the root sum square (RSS) of the uncertainties in the constituent error sources such as the radial orbit errors, ocean tide model errors, the measurement noises of the

	GDR (T/P)	Goal (Jason-1)
Altimeter noise	1.7 ^a	1.5
EM bias	2.5 ^d	1.04
+Skewness		
+tracker bias		
Tropo, dry	0.7 ^a	0.7
Tropo, wet	1.1 ^b	1
Iono	0.5 ^c	0.5
Altimeter meas(range) RSS	3.3	2.25

^a Based on 1-sec averages of the range estimates for 2-m significant wave height Fu *et al.* [1994]

^b Ruf *et al.* [1994]

^c Based on 100-km along-track averages of the dual-frequency altimeter estimates of the ionospheric range correction Imel [1994]

^d Rodríguez & Martín [1994]

Table 3.5: Single-pass Altimeter Measurement Accuracy for T/P Dual-frequency Altimeter (Side A) [Unit: cm]

crossover, and ocean variability uncertainty.

$$\sigma_{xover}^2 = \sigma_{orbit}^2 + \sigma_{ocean}^2 + \sigma_{tide}^2 + \sigma_{meas}^2 \quad (3.1)$$

The measurement noise for a crossover is equal to the RSS of the errors of two direct altimeter measurements including ascending and descending. The uncertainty of a direct altimeter measurement is determined as the RSS of errors due to the instrument noise, EM bias, skewness, troposphere corrections, and ionosphere corrections which are shown in Table 3.5. According to Table 3.5, the uncertainty of a direct altimeter measurement is 3.3 cm for T/P GDRs. Therefore, the measurement noise for a crossover becomes 4.7 cm.

The ocean variability is the uncertainty of the two altimeter measurements difference between the ascending and descending passes over the short time interval. The uncertainty of sea surface height due to errors in the ocean

tide model, CSR 3.0 [Eanes & Bettadpur, 1996], is approximately 2 cm, which is much larger than the tide-induced error on the radial orbit of about 0.7 cm as shown in Table 3.1.

	T/P	Jason-1
Radial orbit error	2.5 ^d	1.0 ^e
Measurement noise	4.7 ^b	4.7
Ocean tides	2.0 ^c	2.0
Ocean variability	2.2	2.2
Crossover residual RMS	6.1 ^a	5.7

^a JGM-3 [Tapley *et al.*, 1996]
^b From Table 3.5
^c [Eanes & Bettadpur, 1996]
^d [Ries & Tapley, 1999]
^e Goal of radial orbit error for Jason-1

Table 3.6: Altimeter Crossover Error Budget for T/P and Jason-1 [Unit: cm]

Table 3.6 also shows the altimeter crossover error budget for Jason-1, assuming similar errors as T/P but achieving the 1-cm orbit accuracy goal. Using the tabulated values of σ_{orbit} , σ_{meas} , σ_{tide} , and σ_{xover} to evaluate Equation 3.1, the ocean variability RMS σ_{ocean} is calculated to be approximately 2.2 cm. Applying this value for σ_{ocean} for Jason-1, the crossover residual RMS budget is estimated to be approximately 5.7 cm. At this time, however, it is not clear if the Jason-1 measurement noise is as good as T/P. Jason-1 crossover RMS tends to be larger than T/P in spite of better orbits.

The assessment methods discussed above will be applied throughout this dissertation to choose a better parameterization strategy or to select better models by comparing each orbit solution. The radial orbit accuracy for the final solution will be estimated especially based on the crossover residual test

and high elevation SLR residual test. The data spans of the crossover altimeter for the orbit performance assessment purpose are provided in Table 3.7.

Cycle	start time [UTC]			stop time [UTC]		Span Days
cyc008	3/25/2002	15: 1: 6.	–	4/04/2002	10:35:11.	9.81534074
cyc009	4/04/2002	17:46:52.	–	4/14/2002	10:57:13.	9.71551604
cyc010	4/14/2002	10:57:46.	–	4/24/2002	08:55:44.	9.91525314
cyc011	4/24/2002	8:56:17.	–	5/04/2002	6:54:26.	9.91537993
cyc012	5/04/2002	6:54:48.	–	5/14/2002	1:55:57.	9.79247256
cyc013	5/14/2002	16:59:39.	–	5/24/2002	2:42:19.	9.40462607
cyc014	5/24/2002	2:51:51.	–	6/03/2002	0:49:16.	9.91486758
cyc015	6/03/2002	0:50:23.	–	6/12/2002	22:47:24.	9.91459981
cyc016	6/12/2002	22:49:28.	–	6/22/2002	20:40:49.	9.91065824
cyc017	6/22/2002	20:50:35.	–	7/02/2002	18:13: 1.	9.89058137
cyc018	7/02/2002	20: 5:27.	–	7/12/2002	16:37:52.	9.85584870
cyc019	7/12/2002	16:49:18.	–	7/22/2002	14:36:43.	9.90792129
cyc020	7/22/2002	14:48:06.	–	8/01/2002	12:33:58.	9.90684214

Table 3.7: Altimeter Crossover Data Spans for Performance Assessment

Chapter 4

Orbit Solution with GPS

The performance of the BlackJack GPS Turbo-Rogue Space Receiver on Jason-1 has been significantly improved over the experimental GPS receiver on T/P. The robust GPS data will support a higher level of empirical parameterization to accommodate the surface force model errors. The objective of this chapter is to find optimal models and parameterizations to get the best orbit solution by using GPS-only data in the dynamic approach. The solution from GPS-only data will be compared with the solutions from DORIS/SLR to investigate the strength of GPS-only orbits.

Table 4.1 defines each cycle for Jason-1 since January 15, 2002. Prior to the starting epoch of cycle 8, March 13, 2002, the GPS measurement was of lesser quality because of the L2 ramp problem which will be discussed later. In this study, the GPS data from cycles 8 - 20 were utilized. GPS orbits of 30-hour arcs were integrated daily with a 3-hour extension at both ends for the overlap test purpose. Then, each full cycle's orbit was obtained by merging the middle 24-hour arcs of the daily orbits. Table 4.2 shows the orbit spans for orbit performance assessment. However, the orbits from several days for several cycles were excluded in the merging stage, to avoid the anomalous

behaving solutions of some days related to orbit attitude control transition for yaw steering (see Table 2.8). Cycle 12 and cycle 19, for example, are not full cycles. Orbits of the days in the transition of “steering to fix” or “fix to steering” were excluded from each cycle. Inclusion of the orbits from those days into a full cycle orbit for the process of orbit performance assessment significantly degrades the whole cycle’s orbit quality, mainly because of the discontinuity of the parameterization for the Center-of-Mass (CoM) in the transition, which will be discussed in Section 4.2.1.

Care also needs to be taken for inclusion of the days near the orbit maintenance maneuver. Day 134 was not included in cycle 12, but the orbit span of 5h:26m:00s-24h:00m:00s (UTC) of day 134 was included in cycle 13. Day 183 was also excluded from cycle 17, but its time span of 19h:19m:30s-24h:00m:00s (UTC) was included in cycle 18. It is best to exclude day 134 and day 183, otherwise the parameterization of day 134 and day 183 should be handled separately from other days with different subarc lengths, and with the integration starting epoch at the cycle starting epoch.

In this chapter, the GPS preprocessing will be described and the effect of the parameter estimation on the orbit solution from GPS-only data will be analyzed. For surface forces, the box-wing model will be compared to the cannonball-wing model. In Chapter 5, the orbit improvement that results from combining SLR/DORIS data with GPS data will be further explored.

Cycle	start time [UTC]			stop time [UTC]			Days
cyc001	1/15/2002	5:10:50.	–	1/25/2002	3:09:20.	(day 015 - 025)	
cyc002	1/25/2002	3:09:20.	–	2/04/2002	0:45:00.	(day 025 - 035)	
	orbit maintenance maneuver						
cyc003	2/04/2002	1:41:40.	–	2/13/2002	23:06:30.	(day 035 - 044)	
cyc004	2/13/2002	23:06:30.	–	2/23/2002	21:05:00.	(day 044 - 054)	
cyc005	2/23/2002	21:05:00.	–	3/05/2002	18:40:30.	(day 054 - 064)	
	orbit maintenance maneuver						
cyc006	3/05/2002	19:36:40.	–	3/15/2002	17:02:00.	(day 064 - 074)	
cyc007	3/15/2002	17:02:00.	–	3/25/2002	15:00:30.	(day 074 - 084)	
cyc008	3/25/2002	15:00:30.	–	4/04/2002	12:58:60.	(day 084 - 094)	
cyc009	4/04/2002	12:59:00.	–	4/14/2002	10:57:30.	(day 094 - 104)	
cyc010	4/14/2002	10:57:30.	–	4/24/2002	08:55:60.	(day 104 - 114)	
cyc011	4/24/2002	8:56:00.	–	5/04/2002	6:54:30.	(day 114 - 124)	
cyc012	5/04/2002	6:54:30.	–	5/14/2002	4:43:00.	(day 124 - 134)	
	orbit maintenance maneuver						
cyc013	5/14/2002	5:26:00.	–	5/24/2002	2:43:00.	(day 134 - 144)	
	gap						
cyc014	5/24/2002	2:51:40.	–	6/03/2002	0:50:10.	(day 144 - 154)	
cyc015	6/03/2002	0:50:10.	–	6/12/2002	22:48:40.	(day 154 - 163)	
cyc016	6/12/2002	22:48:40.	–	6/22/2002	20:47:10.	(day 163 - 173)	
cyc017	6/22/2002	20:47:10.	–	7/02/2002	8:23:20.	(day 173 - 183)	
	orbit maintenance maneuver						
cyc018	7/02/2002	19:19:30.	–	7/12/2002	16:44:10.	(day 183 - 193)	
cyc019	7/12/2002	16:44:10.	–	7/22/2002	14:42:40.	(day 193 - 203)	
cyc020	7/22/2002	14:42:40.	–	8/01/2002	12:41:20.	(day 203 - 213)	

Table 4.1: Jason-1 Cycle Definition

Cycle	start 00:00:00 [GPS]		stop 24:00:00 [GPS]	Days
cyc008	3/25/2002	–	4/04/2002	(day 084 - 094)
cyc009	4/04/2002	–	4/14/2002	(day 094 - 104)
cyc010	4/14/2002	–	4/24/2002	(day 104 - 114)
cyc011	4/24/2002	–	5/04/2002	(day 114 - 124)
cyc012	5/04/2002	–	5/10/2002	(day 124 - 130)
cyc013	5/14/2002	–	5/23/2002	(day 134 - 143)
cyc014	5/24/2002	–	6/03/2002	(day 144 - 154)
cyc015	6/03/2002	–	6/12/2002	(day 154 - 163)
cyc016	6/12/2002	–	6/22/2002	(day 163 - 173)
cyc017	6/22/2002	–	7/01/2002	(day 173 - 182)
cyc018	7/02/2002	–	7/12/2002	(day 183 - 193)
cyc019	7/15/2002	–	7/22/2002	(day 196 - 203)
cyc020	7/22/2002	–	8/01/2002	(day 203 - 213)

Table 4.2: Orbit Spans for Performance Assessment. It will be best to exclude days 134 and 183 because of the orbit maintenance maneuver.

4.1 GPS preprocessing

The International GPS service for Geodynamics (IGS) provides to the public GPS data files tracked at more than 300 ground stations at present (IGS 2002) in the Receiver Independent EXchange (RINEX) format. At UT/CSR, the tracking data from about 51 stations, which were initially selected based on the ITRF97 reference GPS stations, are routinely archived locally (see Chapter 6 for more details). The tracking data are made available in daily RINEX files by the naming convention of “ssssdddf.yyo.Z”, where ‘ssss’ is the 4-character station code, ‘ddd’ is the day of the year, ‘f’ is the file sequence number (0 for 24-hour file), ‘yy’ is the two-digit year and ‘o’ indicates the RINEX observation file. The files are compressed using the standard UNIX compression scheme

(*Z). Currently the standard data rate is 30 seconds for the ground tracking data. Data files contain observations for a 24-hour period, from 00h:00m:00s till 23h:59m:30s GPS time. The RINEX file headers give more information about sites, antennas and signals. For the official site information, the station log files provided by IGS need to be consulted.

The Jason-1 GPS tracking data were made available by CNES at `ftp://spike.cst.cnes.fr`. Initially, the data were restricted to only POD groups but it later became open to the public. The Jason-1 data use the compact RINEX format whose filename extension, ‘d’ in “*.yyd.Z” instead of ‘o’, denotes observation files that are additionally compressed using the Hatanaka obs file compression scheme [Hatanaka, 1998]. The Compact RINEX format is a compression format for GPS observation data which is compatible with the RINEX version 2 observation file format. Jason-1’s 4-character station code is ‘jaso’. Jason-1 collects GPS data every 10 seconds, while the IGS ground stations collect GPS data every 30 seconds.

To process the orbit estimation by employing MSODP, first, the double-differenced GPS data need to be generated by using the ground and Jason-1 tracking data in the preprocessing stage. The main purpose of GPS preprocessing is to edit raw data and generate double-differenced (DD) carrier phase observables with corrected measurement time tags. The files for final DD observables follow the CSR DD ASCII format. The TEXGAP (university of TEXas Gps Analysis Program) software is used for the GPS preprocessing in this study.

After downloading both the raw GPS ground tracking data and Jason-1 tracking data from the IGS and CNES ftp sites, respectively, the sampling time interval is synchronized at 30 seconds for the double-differencing purpose due to their original time interval difference for the data collection, as stated previously. The three day RINEX files were combined to form an 30-hour arc tracking data by merging the centered 24-hour arc of the middle day with the ending 3-hour data from the previous day and the beginning 3-hour data from the following day. The 30 hour observations are needed to estimate 30-hour arc orbits in MSODP. The 3-hour arcs at both ends will be used to compare overlap statistics to assess the orbit solutions. After the sampling rate synchronization and the merging of three 1-day RINEX files, the RINEX files were converted to a machine dependent binary format to handle the intermediate processes because of its disc space economy and efficiency.

A GPS receiver tags its measurements based on its own internal clock, which is not always sufficiently accurate for high-precision geodesy. The next step of preprocessing is, therefore, to correct the GPS receiver time tag of the data with respect to the GPS system time, which was measured by highly accurate GPS satellite on-board atomic clocks and also monitored by ground control stations. By using the original nominal time tag (t_r) and the receiver time tag correction (δt_r), the corrected receiver time tag, T_r , can be expressed as $T_r = t_r - \delta t_r$. The receiver time tag correction, δt_r , is computed as follows:

$$\delta t_r = \frac{\rho}{c} - \frac{\rho_c}{c} + \delta t_s \quad (4.1)$$

where ρ is the pseudo-range observation; ρ_c is the computed range between a GPS satellite and a ground station (or, the user satellite); δt_s is the broadcast GPS satellite clock correction; and, c is the speed of light (299,792,458 m/sec). Equation 4.1 requires information such as, 1) observed pseudo-range data from RINEX files for ρ , 2) the GPS satellites' clock information provided from the broadcast navigation message for δt_s , and, 3) the ground station coordinates and the ephemerides of Jason-1 for ρ_c . The ephemerides of Jason-1 can be obtained by the SLR/DORIS solution with high precision. The SLR/DORIS solution, however, is not always available because of orbit attitude maneuvers between cycles. In this process, therefore, the navigation solution (NAVSOL) is also used to provide the Jason-1 ephemerides for the gaps between cycles, which existed in the SLR/DORIS orbit solution. To process NAVSOL, Jason-1 pseudo-range data from the RINEX file and the broadcast GPS ephemeris file are required. To improve the precision of the NAVSOL solution, the whole GPS data pre-processing and dynamic GPS orbit estimation process are iterated once. The ephemerides of Jason-1 are expressed in the body-fixed frame with GPS time. The ephemerides files are formatted in the SP1 format to be used in TEXGAP.

GPS satellite clock errors and receiver clock errors which remain in the carrier-phase measurements, even after the time tag correction, can be removed by the differences between the measurements, since they have common error sources. For single-differenced observables, one GPS ground receiver and Jason-1 GPS receiver were paired to form the differences of the raw mea-

measurements for a common GPS satellite to eliminate the GPS satellite clock errors (see Equation A.33). Producing double-differenced (DD) observables formed by the differences between the two single-differenced observables from two different GPS satellites (see Equation A.35) can also eliminate the ground receiver clock error and Jason-1 GPS receiver clock error.

The next step is to eliminate the first-order ionospheric effects using the DD carrier phase observables from dual frequencies, L1 and L2. Using the DD carrier phase observables ϕ_{L1} at L1 and ϕ_{L2} at L2, the ionospheric-free phase observable ϕ_{LC} can be formed as [Leick, 1995]:

$$\phi_{LC}(t) = \frac{f_1^2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \phi_{L1}(t) - \frac{f_1 f_2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \phi_{L2}(t) \quad (4.2)$$

where f_1 is the L1 frequency (1575.42 MHz) and f_2 is the L2 frequency (1227.60 MHz). In the same way, the ionospheric-free range observable ρ_{LC} can be formed by using ρ_{L1} at L1 and ρ_{L2} at L2 as:

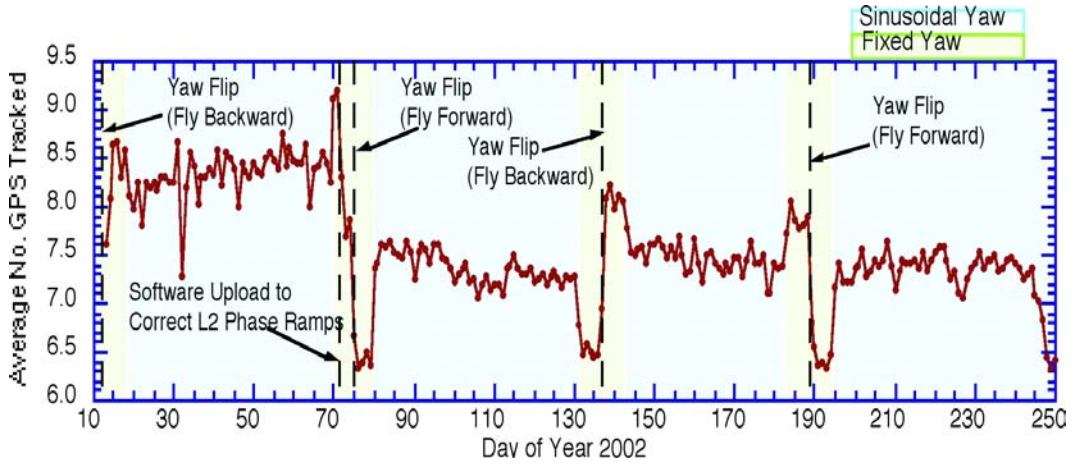
$$\rho_{LC}(t) = \frac{f_1^2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \rho_{L1}(t) - \frac{f_1 f_2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \rho_{L2}(t) \quad (4.3)$$

The ionospheric-free observables, which will be called DDobs, are the actual GPS data that is to be processed in MSODP.

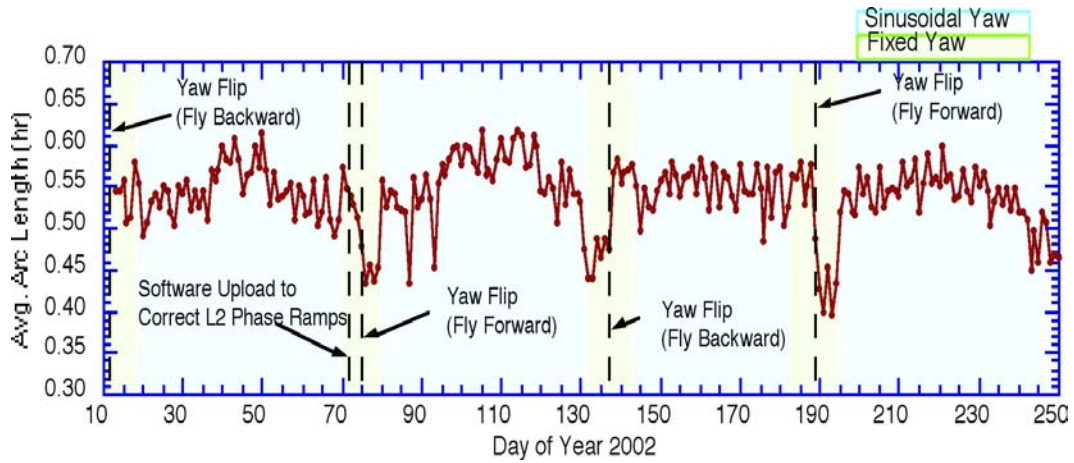
Finally, the anomalous data points are edited and the cycle-slips are fixed. Data points whose DD residuals are outside of the range of three-times standard deviation of the DD residuals are removed. The DD residual is computed by subtracting the computed DD measurement from the observed DD measurement. The DD passes with less than 6 DDobs were also edited out; the

minimum duration time for DD passes was 3 minutes. In MSODP, DD passes with less than 10 DDobs were further edited. Cycle-slips, which were detected by identifying some anomalies in the differences between the consecutive data points in the DD residuals, are fixed with linear extrapolation. Approximate DD ambiguities are also initially corrected by comparing the computed DD measurement and the observed DD measurement. The approximate correction in the preprocessing stage provides more numerical stability for the dynamic orbit determination process in MSODP to estimate accurate ambiguities. The elevation mask angle of the ground receiver for the DDobs was 15° , and 0° for the Jason-1 elevation cut-off angle. All of the DDobs from about 50 ground stations and Jason-1 were merged together into a file and sorted by the observation time in order to be processed in MSODP.

While the BlackJack receiver on Jason-1 can track up to 12 GPS satellites simultaneously on two frequencies, the actual number of tracked GPS satellites with sufficient signal-to-noise ratio is usually less than 9 as shown in Figure 4.1(a). The figure shows that the average number of tracked satellites is 7-8 since cycle 8, and it is dependent on the yaw regime of Jason-1. The number of satellites tracked in the fixed yaw is reduced to 6, which is the primary reason why the numbers of daily DDobs are reduced in the fixed yaw as shown in Figure 4.2(b). Prior to cycle 8, a higher average number of satellites tracked is shown. During this period, however, the carrier-phase data were not good enough to survive the preprocessing stage because of the L2 ramp, which is a frequency bias on the L2 carrier-phase that affects 7-30% of the data each

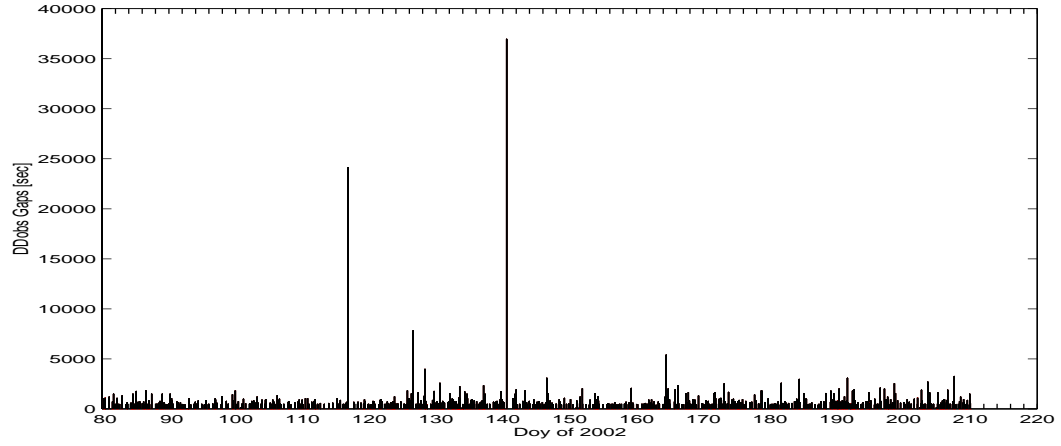


(a) Daily Averaged Number of GPS Satellites

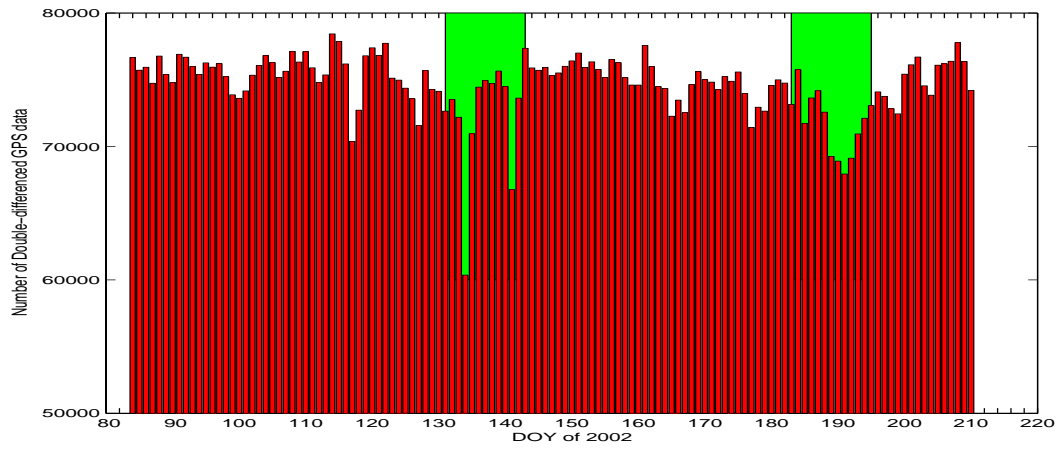


(b) Daily Averaged Arc-length of GPS Track

Figure 4.1: Daily averaged Number of GPS satellites (top) and Arc-length of GPS track (bottom) from Jason-1 [Haines *et al.*, 2002]. The average number of tracked satellites is 7-8 since cycle 8, where the L2 ramp problem was corrected. In the fixed yaw, the number of satellite tracked and the average arc length is reduced. Long and continuous tracking passes are critical for POD.



(a) DDobs data gap duration



(b) Daily DDobs numbers

Figure 4.2: GPS DDobs gap duration (top) and DDobs numbers (bottom) for cycle 8 to 20. Day 117 has a 7-hour gap and Day 141 has a 10-hour gap. In the fixed yaw (green region), DDobs numbers are significantly reduced.

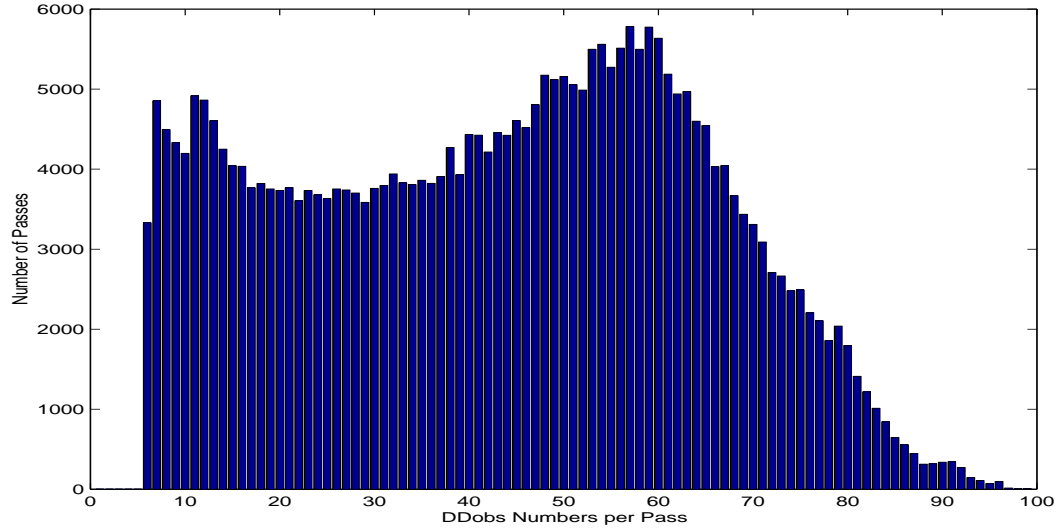


Figure 4.3: DDpass Numbers w.r.t. DDobs per DDpass for cycle 8 - 20. A DDpass with 60 DDobs is 30 minutes long, since 1 DDobs per 30 sec is sampled in a pass.

day depending on the attitude regime [Haines *et al.*, 2002]. A software upload on March 13, 2002, eliminated these L2 phase ramps.

The daily mean length of GPS tracking passes shown in Figure 4.1(b) is 30-35 minutes, also depending on the yaw regime. Long and continuous tracking passes are critical for POD based on GPS tracking. Interrupted tracking usually prevents a heavier parameterization scheme from compensating for the surface model error. The BlackJack receiver on Jason-1 resets approximately 3 to 8 times per day, which results in data gaps with typical duration of 6-12 minutes. The cause of the resets appears to be some correlation with the South Atlantic Anomaly (SAA) implying that they are induced by strong radiation exposure. Figure 4.2(a) and Table 4.3 show that the durations of tracking

start time [GPS]	Gap duration [sec]	Cycles affected
4/27/2002 19:53:00	24120	cycle 011 (day 117)
5/07/2002 14:01:00	7830	cycle 012 (day 127)
5/09/2002 08:15:00	3990	cycle 012 (day 129)
5/21/2002 13:44:00	36960	cycle 013 (day 141)
5/27/2002 13:33:30	3090	cycle 014 (day 147)
6/14/2002 10:50:00	5400	cycle 016 (day 165)
7/11/2002 14:11:00	3090	cycle 018 (day 192)
7/27/2002 14:10:30	3270	cycle 020 (day 208)

Table 4.3: DDobs gap durations longer than 50 minutes

gaps of longer than one hour have occurred on several days, which can weaken the parameterization. In Table 4.3, day 117 shows a gap longer than 6 hours and day 141 shows a gap longer than 10 hours, which may cause some sub-arc parameterization difficulty, resulting in weakness of the orbits of cycle 11 and cycle 13, respectively. Note that these DDobs gaps of long durations are neither due to the orbit maneuvers between cycles nor due to the yaw steering transitions shown in Table 2.8 or Table 4.1. The effect of the data gaps on the orbit RMS will be discussed later in Section 4.2.2.

4.2 Parameterizations

The main components to be estimated in the orbit determination problem are the position and velocity of the satellite [see Appendix C for details of the orbit estimation theory]. The estimation of unknown model parameters is also important to determine precise orbit solutions. In this section, the three independent sets of parameters related to three different issues will be esti-

mated and their effects on the solution will be examined. The three issues are: 1) the parameters related to the Center of Mass of Jason-1, 2) the empirical acceleration parameters to accommodate the surface force model uncertainties, and 3) the parameters related with the orbit element correction of GPS satellites.

4.2.1 Center-of-Mass Offset and Phase Center Offset

In this section, 1) the GPS antenna Phase Center Offset is estimated, 2) the best estimation strategy for the GPS phase center offset is investigated by examining each orbit performance, and 3) the estimates of the phase center offset are compared to the original estimates in the lab. Each estimate from different orbit analysis centers using different tracking data is also compared to each other to see whether there is an actual CoM change common to each tracking antenna or whether it is peculiar to the GPS antenna. The satellite body fixed (SBF) coordinate with a reference point as the coordinate origin (see Section 2.5) is used in this section. In MSODP, the phase center offset change, $\Delta\vec{R}_{PC}$, is expressed as:

$$\Delta\vec{R}_{PC} = \vec{R}_{PC}^{new} - \vec{R}_{PC}^{apriori} \quad (4.4)$$

where $\vec{R}_{PC}^{apriori}$ is a priori phase center offset¹ which is a phase center with respect to the CoM, \vec{R}_{PC}^{new} is the new estimated phase center with respect to

¹The CMOFF card in MSODP means $\vec{R}_{PC}^{apriori}$. The COMDEL card means $(\vec{r}_0 - \vec{r}_{CoM})$, where \vec{r}_0 is a reference point vector and \vec{r}_{CoM} is the CoM vector in the satellite body fixed coordinate.

the CoM (see Figure 4.4). The ΔX , ΔY and ΔZ which will be mentioned later are the components of $\Delta \vec{R}_{PC}$.

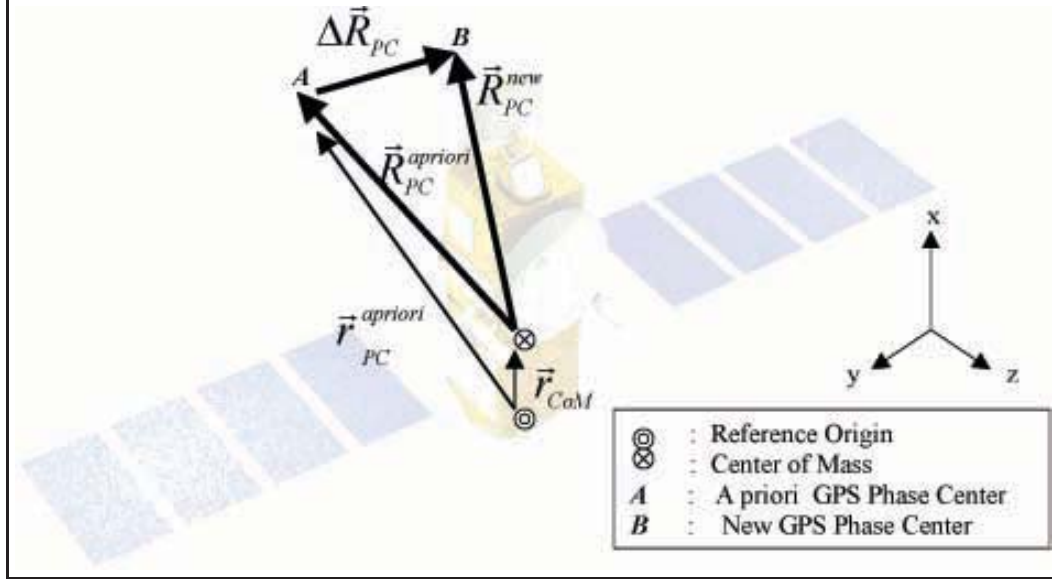


Figure 4.4: Illustration of the Spacecraft Geometry. $\vec{R}_{PC}^{apriori}$ is the vector of a priori phase center location with respect to CoM. \vec{r}_{CoM} is the CoM vector with respect to the reference origin in the satellite body-fixed coordinate and $\vec{r}_{PC}^{apriori}$ is the vector of a priori phase center location with respect to the reference origin. CNES provides information of \vec{r}_{CoM} and $\vec{r}_{PC}^{apriori}$. $\Delta \vec{R}_{PC}$ is estimated in MSODP to obtain \vec{R}_{PC}^{new} , which is the vector of new phase center location with respect to the CoM.

The location of CoM is assumed to be 942 mm in the positive X direction with respect to the coordinate origin, which is based on the estimate of 8 kg hydrazine consumption (see Table 2.5). The consumption of fuel is expected to cause the CoM to move forward to the positive X direction, since the fuel tank on the satellite is located on the rear side.

Table 4.4 shows the GPS antenna phase center location of L1 and L2

	x (mm)	y (mm)	z (mm)
CoM	942.0	0.0	0.0
GPS L1	2408.0	-219.7	-537.1
GPS L2	2420.2	-220.8	-558.5
GPS L_C	2389.1	-218.0	-504.0

Table 4.4: A priori for GPS phase centers and center of mass with respect to the reference origin.

signals measured at a lab before launch. The combined carrier phase signal, L_C , is used in this research. The apparent GPS L_C phase center is derived from the lab phase measurements of L1 and L2, by applying Equation A.45 for the ionosphere-free combination. To get the antenna phase center relative to the CoM, one must subtract the CoM from the antenna coordinates.

The experience of T/P showed that the post-launch estimates of the GPS antenna phase center can be very different from the pre-launch estimates, and that estimating the phase center offset can be beneficial to improve the coordinate centering, even though the nature of the discrepancy between the measured location in a lab and the estimated location after launch has not been fully understood. Estimation of the phase center offsets has become standard operating procedure for GPS-based POD because of its contribution to the orbit performance improvement [B. Haines, personal communication, 2002].

The phase center offset relative to the center of mass of the spacecraft can change for two main reasons: one is the actual change of the antenna phase center in space, the other is the change of the center of mass caused

by fuel consumption. The engineers can measure the radiometric phase center location in an anechoic chamber with great accuracy. However, mounting the choke ring on a spacecraft flying at 7 km/s in orbit with a few multipath and potential radio-interference sources around it, can cause some unknown change to the antenna phase center on orbit. In this experiment, the phase center offset change with respect to the CoM is estimated assuming that the CoM is fixed to the nominal value. If the assumption is true, the estimated offset will reflect only the phase center change in space. However, because of the fuel consumption in space, the CoM change is inevitable and must be coupled with the phase offset change in the estimates. If the phase centers can change in the space environment, then the analysis to separate the change of the CoM from the estimates can be even more complicated. In addition to that, if there is any periodic variation in the phase centers in orbit, any variation shorter than 24 hours may not appear in the estimated offset since the short-term variation of the changes of the phase center of less than 24 hours can be averaged during the 1-day arc solution process. However, the variations longer than 1-day could appear in the estimated offset trend.

The question about the estimation of which component of the phase center offset will improve the orbits is investigated in this section. To study the impact on the orbit improvement from the estimation of each component for the change of the phase center offset, several cases were considered as shown in Table 4.5. The estimate of ΔX can be very critical, because the fuel tank is designed to change the CoM along only the X-direction as fuel is consumed.

Case	Estimation Strategy for Center-of-Mass Offset
Case NO	No component of the phase center offsets is estimated.
Case X	Only ΔX is estimated.
Case Y	Only ΔY is estimated.
Case Z	Only ΔZ is estimated.
Case XZ	ΔX and ΔZ are estimated.
Case XYZ	All components of the phase center offset, ΔX , ΔY and ΔZ are estimated.

Table 4.5: Estimation strategy cases for Center-of-Mass Offset

The 30 degree tilt of the GPS antenna in the XZ plane over the XY plane is another reason why the estimation of ΔZ should be considered seriously as well as the estimation of ΔX in the experimental cases.

When the CT parameter and the 1-cpr T and N empirical parameters are estimated simultaneously, care needs to be taken for the estimation of ΔX and ΔY . It will be difficult to estimate ΔX if the satellite's X-direction coincides to the along track direction, because it can be correlated to the CT and 1-cpr T empirical parameter. Thus, when the satellite is in fixed yaw, it is impossible to separate the X-directional change of the phase center offset from the along-track empirical parameter. Ideally, the best time to estimate ΔX is when the X-direction of the satellite is perpendicular to the along-track direction. In the sinusoidal yaw regime, the estimation of ΔX will be an averaged value over the integration arc length of 30 hours, since the X-direction of the satellite changes sinusoidally relative to the along-track direction. Estimates of ΔY can be partially correlated with the 1-cpr empirical

parameters and CT in the sinusoidal yaw regime. In the fixed yaw regime, ΔY can not be separated from the 1-cpr N parameter.

The internal consistency test with overlap arcs plays an important role in evaluating orbits from each case with different strategies. The estimation of ΔX in the fixed yaw mode may cause a meter-level orbit difference in the along-track direction from the overlap orbit comparison because of the correlation of ΔX and the CT or 1-cpr T parameters. For example, the overlap statistics of **Case XZ** for days in cycle 13 and cycle 18, which are in the fixed yaw regime, were bad, ranging from 4 centimeters to 3 meters in 3-D. However, the orbit of **Case Z** with no estimation of ΔX significantly improved the overlap consistency to less than 5 cm in 3-D RSS²

Tables 4.6 and 4.7 show the orbit performances from each estimation strategy. Note that cycles 8, 9 and 10 are in the sinusoidal yaw regime. Table 4.6 shows that estimating only ΔZ produced the best internally consistent solution in all of three directions improving \overline{RMS} , which is defined as the averaged RMS over all overlaps in a cycle, compared to the \overline{RMS} with no estimation of the phase center offset: its averaged RSS and the averaged RMS in all of three directions was the smallest. Estimating ΔX possibly hurts the radial and transverse direction consistency of orbit solutions. For all three cycles, estimation of ΔX produced the largest radial overlap differences which was worse than the **Case NO**. Estimation of ΔY made the internal orbit

²There were orbit maneuvers for day 134 and day 183. These days were excluded from cycle 13 and 18 for the orbit consistency test.

consistency worse than the **Case NO**, particularly in the transverse or normal direction.

Table 4.7 shows significant reduction of the postfit residuals by estimating ΔZ for all of the three cycles during sinusoidal yaw. The estimation of ΔX or ΔY did not affect the postfit residuals. Judging by the comparison of the altimeter crossover Means between **Case NO** and **Case Y**, and also between **Case XZ** and **Case XYZ**, the estimation of ΔY did not appear to have any noticeable impact on the orbit centering. It is interesting to see that the estimation of ΔZ increased the crossover Means compared with the **Case NO**. However, estimation of ΔX appeared to actually help the orbit centering by balancing out with some counter effect from the estimation of ΔZ . To find out the contribution of the ΔX -estimation to the **Case Z**'s orbit centering, the experimental span for the comparison between the **Case Z** and **Case XZ** was extended to additional cycles, with the results shown in Table 4.8.

In Table 4.8, except cycle 16, the orbits from **Case XZ** in the sinusoidal yaw regime show reductions in the crossover Means and the crossover RMSs against the orbits from **Case Z**. All of them show a reduction of SLR residual RMS over the orbits solved using the **Case Z** strategy. However, cycles 13 and 18, which are in the low fixed yaw regime, act differently. Cycle 18 clearly shows the advantage of the **Case Z** strategy. The crossover RMS and the SLR residual RMS of cycle 18 show significant reduction in the orbits of **Case Z** over the orbits of **Case XZ**. The large overlap RSS values of cycles 13 and 18 from **Case XZ**, which are bigger than 1 meter, show the correlation between

Case	Internal Consistency of Overlaps \overline{RMS}			
	radial(R)	along-track(T)	normal(N)	RSS
NO	14.0	28.5	13.3	34.7
X	15.1	30.4	13.2	36.8
Y	13.9	34.1	16.7	40.8
Z	12.7	25.9	13.5	32.3
XZ	14.2	28.2	13.4	34.6
XYZ	14.4	35.7	16.9	42.5

(a) cycle 8

Case	Internal Consistency of Overlaps \overline{RMS}			
	radial(R)	along-track(T)	normal(N)	RSS
NO	15.7	36.8	10.6	41.7
X	17.0	39.4	10.3	44.5
Y	15.6	55.7	14.0	59.9
Z	13.6	32.2	9.9	36.6
XZ	14.7	34.1	9.7	38.6
XYZ	14.7	58.9	15.6	63.2

(b) cycle 9

Case	Internal Consistency of Overlaps \overline{RMS}			
	radial(R)	along-track(T)	normal(N)	RSS
NO	13.7	26.6	10.8	32.1
X	13.8	26.6	10.8	32.2
Y	13.5	58.6	14.1	62.2
Z	13.4	25.2	10.3	30.5
XZ	13.6	25.3	10.2	30.7
XYZ	13.7	56.6	12.2	60.3

(c) cycle 10

Table 4.6: Overlap Arc comparison for the CoM estimation strategy test (Each value represents \overline{RMS} , which is averaged RMS over all overlaps in a cycle). Orbits from **Case Z** and **Case XZ** show good internal consistency. [Unit: mm]

Case	post-fit	SLR residuals($>70^\circ$)		crossover residuals	
		Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
NO	16.2	3.2	11.0	16.3	64.6
X	16.2	-0.6	9.6	-11.9	63.6
Y	16.2	1.7	12.2	15.5	64.3
Z	15.7	2.1	11.9	20.9	65.6
XZ	15.6	.0	9.4	5.7	62.4
XYZ	15.6	-1.2	10.8	5.4	62.4

(a) cycle 8

Case	post-fit	SLR residuals($>70^\circ$)		crossover residuals	
		Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
NO	14.3	-1.4	15.1	10.6	60.4
X	14.3	-5.1	14.8	-2.0	60.4
Y	14.3	-1.2	15.4	10.8	60.4
Z	13.7	-2.2	15.8	15.5	61.3
XZ	13.6	-5.4	15.0	4.5	59.8
XYZ	13.6	-5.0	15.1	4.7	59.8

(b) cycle 9

Case	post-fit	SLR residuals($>70^\circ$)		crossover residuals	
		Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
NO	14.1	-7.8	14.3	-4.2	61.2
X	14.1	-7.4	14.5	3.0	61.1
Y	14.1	-7.6	14.5	-4.3	61.3
Z	13.6	-8.2	13.9	-3.1	60.9
XZ	13.5	-7.9	14.1	3.6	60.9
XYZ	13.5	-7.8	14.3	3.6	60.9

(c) cycle 10

Table 4.7: PostFit, SLR residual, Crossover test for CoM estimation [Unit: mm].

Cyc	Case	overlap RSS	SLR residuals($>70^\circ$)		crossover residuals	
			Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
8	Z	32.3	2.1	11.9	20.9	65.6
	XZ	34.6	0.0	9.4	5.7	62.4
9	Z	36.6	-2.2	15.8	15.5	61.3
	XZ	38.6	-5.4	15.0	4.5	59.8
10	Z	30.5	-8.2	13.9	-3.1	60.9
	XZ	30.7	-7.9	14.1	3.6	60.9
11	Z	43.8	-9.7	15.7	-15.5	63.6
	XZ	44.0	-9.7	15.7	-14.0	63.2
12	Z	21.7	-2.0	6.9	-22.9	60.7
	XZ	24.0	-2.7	6.4	-18.0	59.2
13 [†]	Z	33.1	-3.3	12.5	4.4	63.5
	XZ	1320.7	-0.3	12.3	7.4	63.2
14	Z	26.1	3.0	13.9	-14.3	61.7
	XZ	28.3	4.2	12.1	-4.7	59.9
15	Z	29.1	-6.4	17.5	-10.3	60.9
	XZ	29.9	-4.3	14.7	-6.3	60.3
16	Z	29.6	7.6	17.6	-4.2	59.6
	XZ	29.8	9.4	16.3	-10.5	60.4
17	Z	30.4	-5.2	12.3	14.3	62.1
	XZ	30.6	-4.2	11.6	7.0	60.8
18 [†]	Z	31.5	-5.0	8.1	-2.9	55.6
	XZ	1629.4	10.6	53.3	0.5	63.7
19	Z	31.5	-10.8	21.6	23.7	64.0
	XZ	31.5	-10.3	19.9	12.7	61.0
20	Z	25.7	.6	17.5	25.7	62.9
	XZ	26.1	-1.2	15.3	15.3	59.5
Total	Z	30.7	-2.8	15.0	2.7	62.1
	XZ	31.6	-2.9	13.7	-0.4	60.7

†: cycle 13 and 18 are in the fixed yaw regime. These two cycles are excluded from the Total average.

Table 4.8: Extended orbit comparison from **Case X** and **Case XZ**. Table shows Overlap statistics, SLR residual, Crossover test for CoM estimation. **Case XZ** works better overall in the sinusoidal yaw regime, but **Case Z** works better in the low fixed yaw regime. [Unit: mm]

CT and ΔX as previously discussed.

Therefore, the benefit of the estimation of ΔZ has been clearly shown in the aspects of the internal consistency, postfit residual and crossover statistics of orbits regardless of yaw regimes. The contribution of the estimation of ΔX is shown for the orbit centering of orbits in the sinusoidal yaw regime. For this research, **Case XZ** was chosen as a nominal estimation strategy for the sinusoidal yaw regime, and **Case Z** for the low fixed yaw regime.

Fig. 4.5(a) shows the postfit residual RMS of MSODP from Day 81 to Day 210. Only ΔZ is estimated for the fixed yaw regime of cycle 13 and 18. For most of the days, the postfit residual RMS was less than 1.5 cm. The large postfit residual RMS shown around day 134 and day 183 was expected due to the orbit maintenance maneuver at that time. It is interesting to observe the reduction of the postfit residual RMS in the fixed yaw region for both **Case XZ** and **Case Z**. The orbit solution of **Case XZ** in the fixed yaw regime produced bad internal consistency, but its postfit was still as good as the postfit of **Case Z**. This is why the strategy of **Case Z** instead of **Case XZ** is appropriate for the cycles in the fixed yaw regime. The reduction of the postfit residual RMS in the fixed yaw regime against the sinusoidal yaw regime has been commonly observed at CSR and GSFC. (see Fig. 4.5(a) and Fig. 4.7).

Fig. 4.5(b) shows the estimated ΔX and ΔZ of the phase center offset from MSODP. The ΔX varies from -5 cm to $+1$ cm, possibly showing a repeating pattern with about a 60 day period. The amplitude variation of

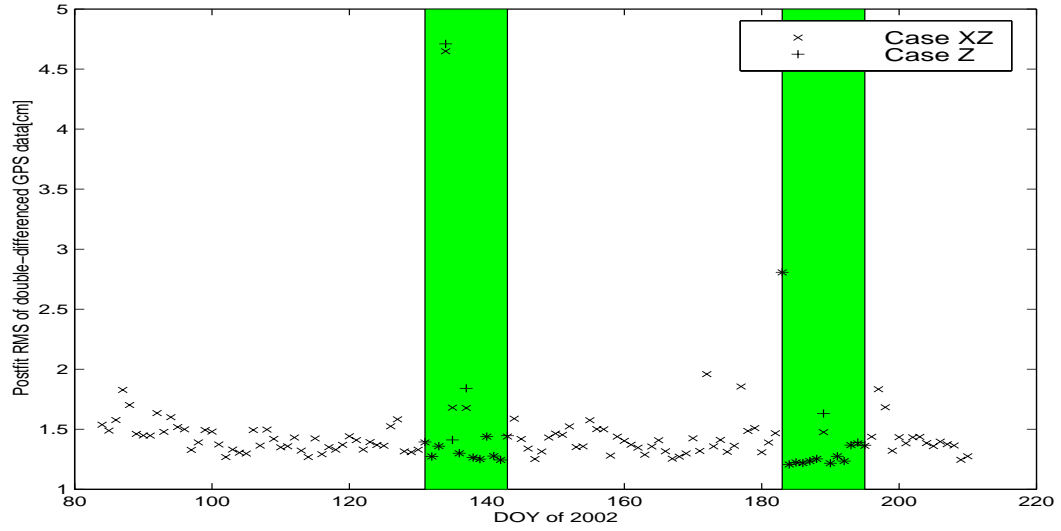
ΔX also appears to be decreasing to zero over time. The estimates of ΔZ are fairly stable at ~ -3.4 cm for the sinusoidal yaw regime, while the estimates of ΔX show large variations. For the fixed yaw of cycle 13 and 18 where only ΔZ was estimated, the estimates of ΔZ decreased to about -5 cm.

For SLR, Zelensky *et al.* [2002] have shown a reduction in the fit of the SLR residuals by correcting the LRA offset. The POD groups with GPS have also shown the orbit performance improvement by correcting the phase center change in X and Z direction. Table 4.9 summarizes the estimates of the phase center change with respect to CoM estimated from several Jason-1 POD groups with different tracking data and softwares. Each center's processing days can vary, and the number of days used to get average values can be different. JPL, UT/CSR and NASA/GSFC participated in the GPS antenna phase center offset comparison with GPS-only data. Among them, UT/CSR and NASA/GSFC participated in the LRA phase center offset comparison with the SLR/DORIS data as well.

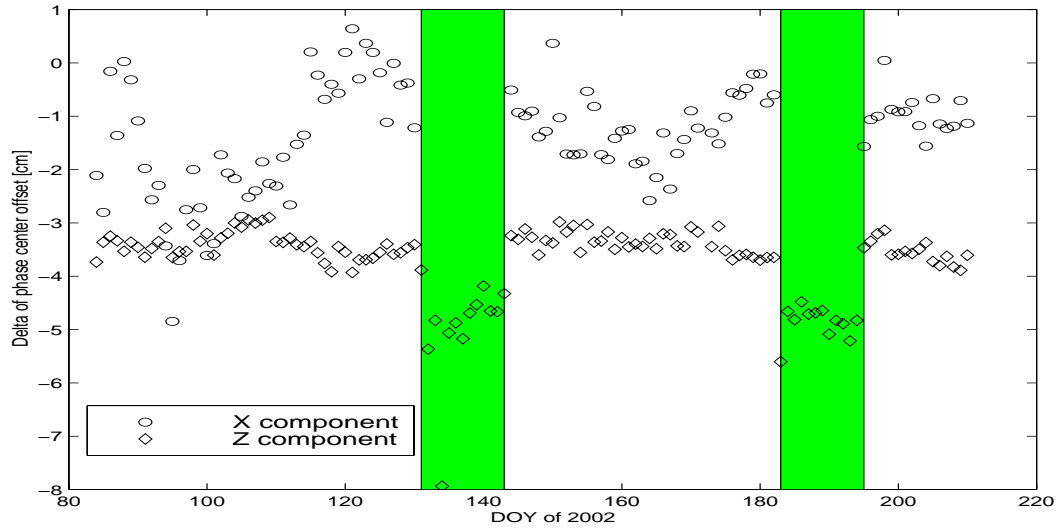
Technique	institute	ΔX	ΔZ
GPS	JPL	-15	-43
	CSR [†]	-13	-34
	NASA	-20	-40
	Average	-16	-39
SLR	NASA	-13	3

[†]: averaged only over days in sinusoidal yaw mode

Table 4.9: Estimates of Phase center change with respect to CoM [unit: mm]

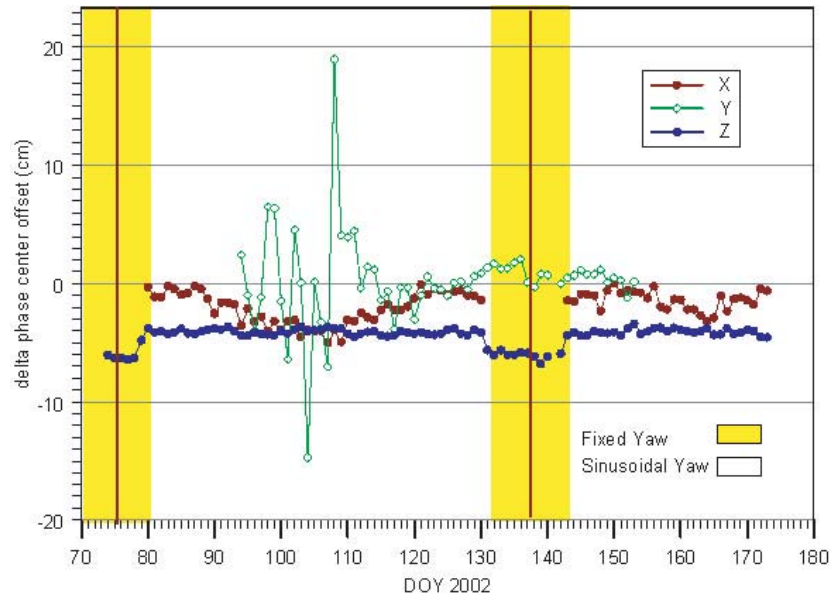


(a) Postfit RMS

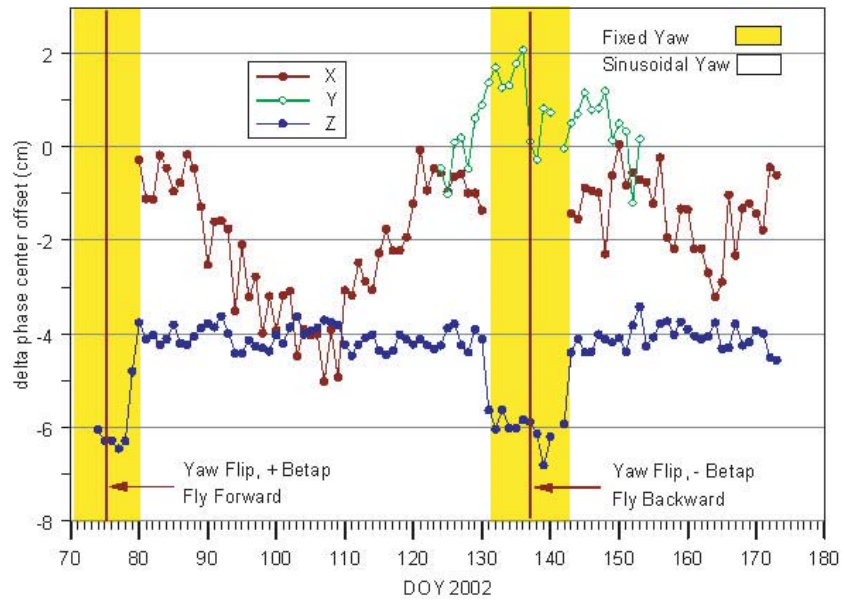


(b) Delta of Phase Center Offset

Figure 4.5: GPS Postfit residuals and L_C Phase Center Offset Estimates at CSR (green region represents the fixed yaw regime)



(a) Large scale



(b) Small scale

Figure 4.6: GPS L_C Phase Center Offset Estimates at GSFC [Luthcke *et al.*, 2002]

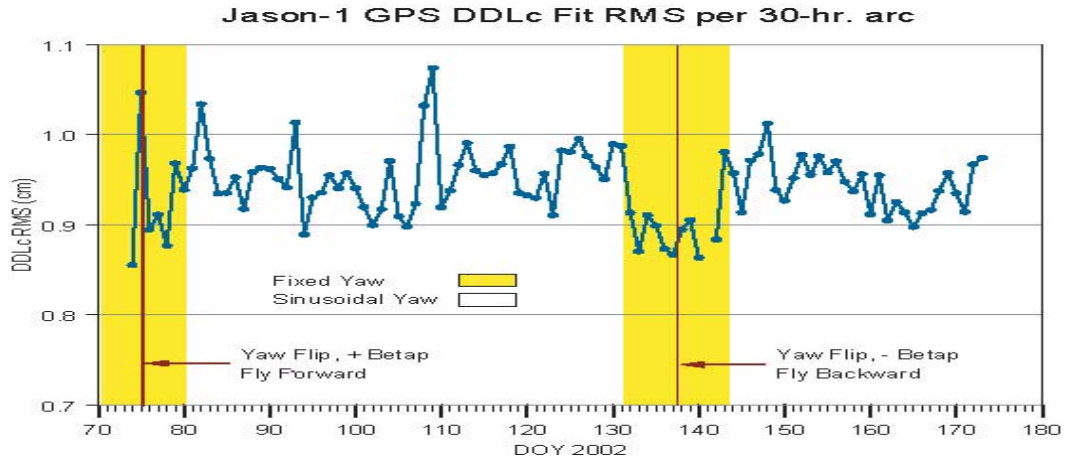


Figure 4.7: GPS DD L_C postfit residual RMS at GSFC

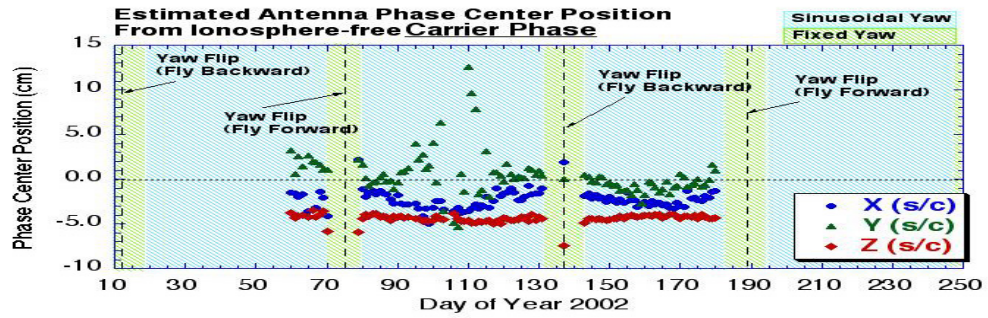


Figure 4.8: GPS L_C Phase Center Center Offset Estimates at JPL

Whether the estimates in Table 4.9 reflect some radiometric phase center anomaly, or whether they account for some real CoM motion is a question. This question may be answered by comparing the estimates of the phase center change from the GPS antenna and the LRA by assuming that the estimates from the GPS antenna reflect the combined change of the CoM and the phase center with respect to the reference origin, while the estimates from LRA reflect solely the change of the CoM. The assumption appears to be supported by the close agreement between the estimates of ΔX phase center offset from both SLR and GPS: the estimated ΔX from SLR is -13 mm [Zelensky *et al.*, 2002], and the averaged ΔX of the GPS phase center offset from several GPS POD groups is -16 mm as shown in Table 4.9. If the estimates of ΔX of the GPS L_C phase center reflect purely the CoM change, the ΔX should not depend on β' . However, the estimates of ΔX of the GPS L_C phase center from Haines *et al.* [2002], Luthcke *et al.* [2002] and Choi *et al.* [2002] follow a very consistent pattern of the time series, in which ΔX appears to depend on the β' angle varying between approximately -5 and -50 mm. The drop of ΔX during the first high β' regime around day 100, which is greater than the drop of ΔX during the second high β' regime around day 160, is observed. The ΔX variation pattern implies that the estimates of ΔX probably reflect the actual variation of GPS phase center offset coupled with the shifted CoM. The possible cause of the β' -dependency of ΔX of the GPS L_C phase center could be a multipath effect related to β' and the solar panel orientation, which is out of the scope of this research.

No significant ΔZ of phase center offset for the LRA is observed for SLR [Zelensky *et al.*, 2002] at NASA/GSFC. This has been confirmed by Ries *et al.* [2002] at UT/CSR, showing no compelling evidence that the Z offset for the CoM or the LRA requires correction, which implies that the estimated Z-directional change of the GPS antenna phase center mostly reflects the real change of the GPS antenna phase center in Z direction in space without being related to the change of the CoM offset. The estimates of ΔZ of the GPS phase center offset show a discrepancy depending on the yaw regime. During the sinusoidal yaw regime, ΔZ of the phase center offset for the GPS L_C combination is approximately -39 mm. During the low fixed yaw, however, the ΔZ of the phase center offset dropped by 15-20 mm as shown in Fig. 4.5(b). The same amount of drop was also observed by Luthcke *et al.* [2002] as shown in Figure 4.6. The reason for the dependency of ΔZ of the GPS phase center offset on the yaw regime is not clearly understood.

Analysis by Zelensky *et al.* [2002] indicates that there is no reason to change the CoM or LRA offset in the Y direction. For the GPS antenna, the orbits with the estimation of the Y-directional change of the GPS phase center offset performed worse as shown for **Case Y** or **Case XYZ** in Table 4.6 and 4.7. This indicates that there is no need for correction of the CoM or of the GPS phase center offset in the Y direction.

In summary, the orbits with estimation of Z-directional change of the GPS phase center offset performed best in the low fixed yaw regime. For the sinusoidal yaw regime, the X- and Z-directional changes of the GPS phase

estimates	x [mm]	y [mm]	z [mm]
CoM	955.0	0.0	0.0
GPS L_C	2389.1	-218.0	-538.1
LRA	1171.0	598.0	682.8

Table 4.10: New CoM and Phase Center estimates w.r.t. the reference point at CSR

estimates	X [mm]	Y [mm]	Z [mm]
GPS L_C	1434.1	-218.0	-538.1
LRA	216.0	598.0	682.8

Table 4.11: New Phase Center Location relative to new CoM location estimated at CSR

center offset should be estimated simultaneously. The estimated change of GPS phase center offset does not necessarily reflect the actual change of the GPS phase center offset because the estimates might be coupled with the change of CoM. To separate the change of CoM and the actual change of GPS antenna phase center offset, the estimates of phase center offset from the LRA and GPS antenna were compared. The common estimates from both instruments, which are 13 mm in X-direction, are assumed to reflect the actual change of the CoM. Table 4.10 shows the new GPS L_C phase center location with respect to the reference point. By comparing the new estimates with the a priori in Table 4.4, the Z-component of GPS L_C phase center decreased from -504 mm to -538.1 mm. The LRA phase center (see Table 2.6 for a priori) and the X component of the GPS L_C phase center with respect to the origin did not change. According to Table 2.5, the CoM just after deployment

in orbit should be (935.0, 0.0, 0.0) cm, and it is supposed to be located at (942.0, 0.0, 0.0) mm after 8 kg hydrazine consumption. The increase of the CoM estimate from the nominal value of 942 mm to 955 mm is a surprise, since the best estimate for the actual fuel usage indicates only 1.7 kg, which is far less than 8 kg. Table 4.11 shows the new phase center location of the GPS antenna relative to the new CoM location estimated at CSR.

4.2.2 Optimal Subarc Length

One of the benefits that the GPS data can provide for the POD task is its dense and homogeneous tracking capability over time. With the dense observation set, heavier parameterizations are possible to accommodate the force model errors. The heavier parameterization by introducing more subarcs generally will reduce the orbit fit residual RMS, but it does not guarantee a better orbit. On the contrary, too heavy a parameterization can degrade the orbit quality. Thus, finding an optimal frequency for the estimation of empirical acceleration parameters is very important to obtain an orbit solution with better accuracy.

In this section, the optimal subarc length for the estimation of empirical parameters is sought. For the optimal subarc length investigation, the crossover test and SLR residual test for cycle 8 to cycle 20 were performed with different subarc lengths for the empirical acceleration estimation. For the subarc length determination, the attitude mode is important because breaks of the continuity can occur when a thruster is activated. To get a better orbit

solution, that kind of breaking point should be avoided. Thus, as shown in Table 4.2, several days such as day 131-133 and day 194-195 were excluded in this investigation.

The subarc lengths tested for this investigation were chosen by considering several factors such as the Jason-1 orbit period and the integration arc length. Table 4.12 shows the subarc length combinations for each case. Subarc lengths such as 1.8738 hour, 3.7476 hour, 5.6214 hour and 7.4952 hour are exact multiples of the Jason-1 orbit period, which is 1.8738 hour. The subarcs of 3 hour, 6 hour, 10 hour, and 15 hour were chosen because they divide the integration arc length (30 hour) equivalently. For example, the choice of 3 hour for the estimation of Drag (see DRAGL card for MSODP) and 6 hour for the estimation of the empirical acceleration parameters (see RTNPRT card for MSODP) provides ten subarcs for the Drag coefficients and five subarcs for the 1-cpr acceleration in one integration arc. Another set of subarc lengths of 0.1725 day, 0.34492 day and 0.6898 day, which were chosen based on the experience of the T/P orbit process, were also tested.

To decide which experimental cases of the subarc length produced the best orbit, the SLR residual test (see Table 4.15) and the altimeter crossover test (see Table 4.13 and 4.14) were performed for each case's orbit. These two methods serve as independent and absolute indicators to the radial orbit error. In choosing an optimal estimation frequency for the empirical accelerations, the crossover RMS test was the method mainly relied on in this investigation. Table 4.14 shows the crossover RMS from each case for the subarc length

CT	subarc length for 1-cpr T, N empirical force [unit: hour]								
	1.8738*	3 [†]	3.7476	5.6214	6	7.4952	9	10	15
1.8738	sub1-1	.	sub1-2	sub1-3	.	sub1-4	.	.	.
3	.	sub1.5-1.5	.	.	sub1.5-3	.	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	.
3.7476	.	.	sub2-2	.	.	sub2-4	.	.	.
6	.	.	.	.	sub3-3	.	.	sub3-4	sub3-5

* 1.8738 hour is the orbit period of Jason-1

† 3 hr, 6 hr, 10 hr and 15 hr divide the integration arc length (30 hr) equivalently

Case sub1-2, for example, estimates CT in every 1.8738 hr, and 1-cpr T, N for every 3.7476 hr

(a) Subarc length combination cases

CT	subarc length of 1-cpr T, N empirical force [unit: day]	
	0.34492	0.6898
0.1725	sub-12	sub-14
0.34492	sub-22	sub-24

(b) Subarc length combination cases based on the experience from Topex SLR/DORIS orbit

Table 4.12: Subarc length combinations for each experiment case.

strategies. For all cases, the crossover RMSs of most of cycles are ~ 6 cm. However, the crossover RMSs of cycle 11 and cycle 13, which varied from 6 cm to 18 cm depending on the case, show strong sensitivity to the subarc lengths. As a matter of fact, it will be shown later that the huge crossover RMSs of cycle 11 and cycle 13 occurred due to the long data gaps in day 117 and day 141, or attitude controls in day 134.

Other than the sensitivity of the crossover RMS to the subarc length in cycle 11 and 13, the crossover RMSs in Table 4.14 also show a decreasing tendency, when the subarc length for the estimation of the 1-cpr T and N parameters is increased with the subarc length for the estimation of CT fixed. The tendency can be seen clearly in Figure 4.9. Figure 4.9 shows the comparison of Crossover RMSs from different subarc lengths for the 1-cpr T, N parameters, with the subarc length for CT fixed. The cases with the same subarc lengths for CT and 1-cpr T & N performed the worst. In Figure 4.9(a), the solutions of **Case sub1-1** and **Case sub1-2** performed worse than the solutions of **Case sub1-3** and **Case sub1-4**. The solutions of **Case sub1.5-1.5** and **Case sub1.5-3** did not perform better than **Case sub1.5-4.5** or **Case sub1.5-10** as shown in Figure 4.9(b). This indicates that, to estimate the 1-cpr T & N empirical parameters and CT simultaneously, longer subarc lengths than the subarc length for the estimation of CT are required. The subarc lengths for the estimation of 1-cpr T & N need to be at least twice as long as the subarc length for the estimation of CT.

In addition to the crossover tests and SLR residual tests, the conver-

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each subarc length strategy															
	sub1-1	sub1-2	sub1-3	sub1-4	sub1.5-1.5	sub1.5-3	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	sub2-2	sub2-4	sub3-3	sub3-4	sub3-5	sub1-2	sub1-2	
8	6.5	6.1	5.7	7.0	5.3	5.1	5.9	4.8	5.8	7.0	6.1	4.7	5.6	6.0	6.0	
9	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.7	3.4	4.9	6.9	6.7	5.5	5.6	5.5	7.1	8.4	5.2	5.2	
10	5.1	4.5	3.6	2.6	4.4	4.2	5.3	4.4	4.9	2.9	4.3	5.0	4.8	4.2	4.2	
11	-11.8	3.3	-14.0	-12.5	-7.9	-14.1	-11.5	-11.8	3.2	-12.9	-8.8	-11.0	-11.7	-12.2	-12.2	
12	-16.7	-16.4	-18.0	-16.3	-16.7	-17.4	-17.4	-16.7	-17.0	-16.3	-17.8	-16.1	-17.7	-16.1	-16.1	
13	.9	-2.7	4.4	1.4	5.6	5.0	1.0	4.2	.0	6.2	-2.9	18.8	5.2	1.4	1.4	
14	-4.9	-3.5	-4.7	-3.7	-4.8	-5.0	-3.8	-4.3	-4.7	-5.5	-5.2	-5.4	-7.0	-5.0	-5.0	
15	-6.3	-6.3	-6.3	-6.2	-6.7	-6.5	-7.3	-7.7	-7.0	-6.9	-7.1	-8.4	-8.9	-8.8	-8.8	
16	-10.4	-11.0	-10.4	-10.9	-10.6	-10.6	-11.1	-11.5	-11.1	-10.7	-11.2	-11.8	-10.4	-11.7	-11.7	
17	7.1	6.7	7.0	5.3	6.8	7.4	8.0	6.7	6.5	6.2	6.7	6.4	7.4	6.6	6.6	
18	-5	-1.7	-2.9	-3.3	-4	-1.5	-2.5	-2.2	-1.6	-2.4	-1.8	-1.8	-2.2	-2.8	-2.8	
19	17.1	15.7	12.7	14.0	16.2	16.1	16.5	17.1	15.1	13.0	16.4	19.5	18.6	15.0	15.0	
20	15.0	14.7	15.3	15.3	13.9	14.2	17.4	15.3	14.0	13.7	14.8	16.7	17.3	15.4	15.4	
Mean	.4	1.1	-.2	-.2	.7	.1	.6	.4	1.0	.0	-.1	1.8	.7	-.2	-.2	
rms	10.2	9.3	10.1	9.8	9.6	10.4	10.7	10.4	9.3	9.8	10.1	12.0	11.3	10.2	10.2	
* Day 117, 134 and 141 are included																

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Table 4.13: Crossover Mean for each subarc length strategy [Unit: mm]. **Case sub1.5-4.5** (3 hours for CT and 9 hours for 1-cpr T & N) was chosen based on the Averaged Crossover RMS (see Table 4.14). Several cycles show relatively large mis-centering of 1 cm to 2 cm, however the averaged values over the cycles show that GPS-only orbits are well-centered in the long term.

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each subarc length strategy															
	sub1-1	sub1-2	sub1-3	sub1-4	sub1.5-1.5	sub1.5-3	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	sub2-2	sub2-4	sub3-3	sub3-4	sub3-5	sub-12		
8	64.2	62.9	62.4	62.4	62.9	62.6	62.1	62.5	62.7	62.2	62.4	62.6	62.8	62.5		
9	61.2	60.5	59.8	59.6	60.6	59.5	59.5	59.4	59.8	59.2	60.1	59.5	59.9	59.0		
10	62.4	61.6	60.9	60.6	61.7	60.3	61.1	60.8	61.2	60.5	60.4	60.7	60.6	60.5		
11	135.5	187.8	63.2	62.8	73.7	69.7	61.7	61.9	187.3	65.4	77.0	61.6	62.4	62.4		
12	61.1	58.8	59.2	57.9	58.3	57.8	56.9	57.1	58.2	57.0	57.6	56.6	57.4	56.7		
13	65.3	64.6	63.5	64.4	84.3	65.5	63.2	63.1	64.6	93.0	101.9	103.4	86.6	80.1		
14	60.9	60.2	59.9	59.2	59.9	59.3	58.5	59.0	60.0	58.9	59.4	59.3	58.9	59.0		
15	60.7	60.9	60.3	60.5	60.3	59.8	60.2	60.1	61.0	60.6	60.0	60.4	58.7	60.7		
16	62.6	62.0	61.7	62.4	62.3	61.5	62.7	62.6	61.9	62.1	62.0	62.5	62.0	62.1		
17	61.5	60.7	60.8	59.3	61.3	60.3	60.0	59.7	60.5	58.7	59.8	59.4	59.4	59.6		
18	57.4	57.0	55.6	56.4	56.5	55.2	55.6	55.5	56.2	56.2	55.6	55.4	56.2	56.2		
19	61.9	61.5	61.0	60.6	61.2	61.2	60.6	60.8	61.0	60.3	62.2	61.8	63.0	60.8		
20	59.8	59.7	59.5	59.4	59.5	59.1	59.3	59.4	59.4	53.9	59.7	59.7	59.5	58.7		
Mean	67.3	70.6	60.6	60.4	63.3	60.9	60.1	60.1	70.3	62.2	64.5	63.3	62.1	61.4		
(rms)	20.6	35.3	2.0	2.2	7.5	3.6	2.2	2.2	35.2	9.7	12.3	12.2	7.6	6.0		

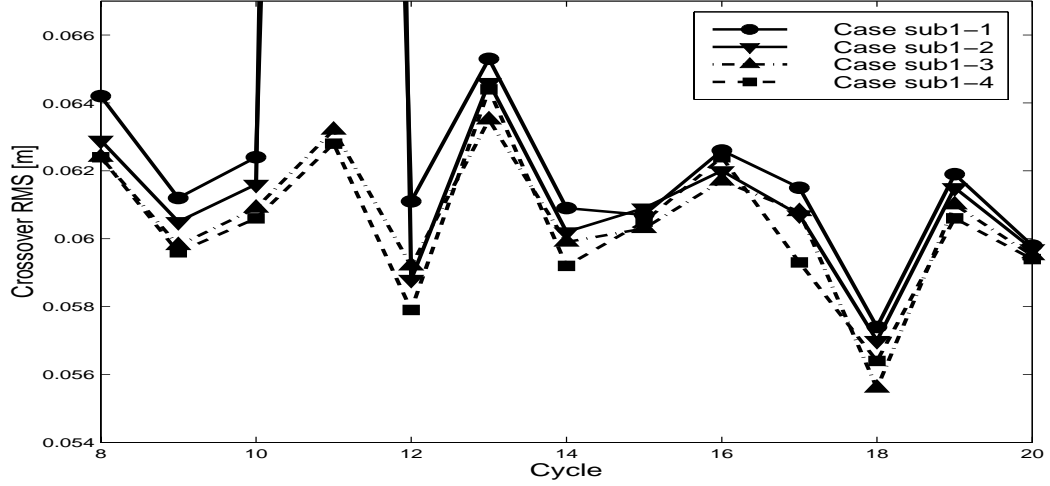
* Day 117, 134 and 141 are included.

Table 4.14: Crossover RMS for each subarc length strategy [Unit: mm]. **Case sub1.5-4.5** (3 hours for CT and 9 hours for 1-cpr T & N) and **Case sub1.5-10** (3 hours for CT and 10 hours for 1-cpr T & N) performed best. **Case sub1.5-4.5** was chosen as the subarc length strategy for GPS-only orbits.

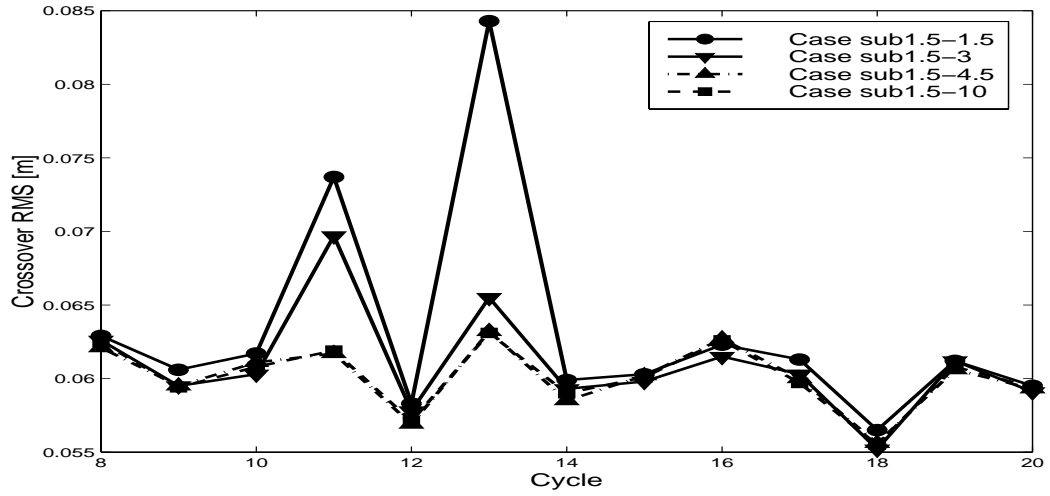
Cyc	SLR residual RMS ($> 70^\circ$) for each subarc length strategy															
	sub1-1	sub1-2	sub1-3	sub1-4	sub1.5-1.5	sub1.5-3	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	sub2-2	sub2-4	sub3-3	sub3-4	sub3-5	sub-12		
8	17.5	9.7	9.4	11.5	13.3	11.8	11.5	11.4	9.4	11.6	12.8	11.1	10.0	12.6		
9	17.0	15.8	15.0	13.5	17.6	14.1	13.2	13.1	15.9	13.8	12.8	12.8	13.3	12.3		
10	15.5	13.4	14.1	12.5	15.1	13.5	12.6	13.1	13.3	13.1	13.1	12.5	13.5	13.2		
11	27.3	32.6	15.7	31.2	22.9	84.1	14.6	13.3	49.6	69.7	16.8	11.1	10.4	16.4		
12	7.7	8.0	6.4	7.2	6.9	6.4	7.4	7.5	8.0	7.6	6.3	7.5	7.2	8.0		
13	8.6	8.8	12.5	19.9	14.1	17.8	9.6	10.2	11.7	10.8	15.8	10.2	10.1	17.4		
14	12.5	9.9	12.1	11.0	9.3	12.2	10.4	10.5	10.4	10.0	12.2	10.7	12.8	10.8		
15	17.3	17.7	14.7	14.9	17.1	15.1	15.5	14.2	18.5	15.5	14.2	14.1	11.9	16.2		
16	11.3	11.4	13.5	13.2	10.8	10.3	13.4	11.9	11.4	13.2	12.0	12.1	10.7	11.6		
17	11.9	10.8	11.6	10.7	12.1	11.5	11.5	11.0	10.4	10.1	10.7	9.2	9.5	9.9		
18	17.6	14.1	8.1	9.4	17.1	9.1	8.8	8.6	11.1	9.9	7.5	8.3	8.2	9.0		
19	20.7	21.0	19.9	17.8	21.2	18.8	17.8	18.4	20.3	16.4	19.4	17.5	13.3	17.5		
20	16.8	17.3	15.3	17.1	17.7	15.9	17.2	14.5	15.7	16.0	16.3	14.9	11.7	18.6		
Mean	15.5	14.7	12.9	14.6	15.0	18.5	12.6	12.1	15.8	16.7	13.1	11.7	11.0	13.3		
rms	5.2	6.7	3.6	6.1	4.6	20.0	3.2	2.8	10.8	16.1	3.6	2.8	2.0	3.5		

* Day 117, 134 and 141 are included

Table 4.15: SLR residual RMS for each subarc length strategy [Unit: mm]. **Case sub1.5-4.5** (3 hours for CT and 9 hours for 1-cpr T & N) was chosen based on the Averaged Crossover RMS (see Table 4.14). The Averaged SLR residual RMSs over the cycles are consistently less than 2 cm.

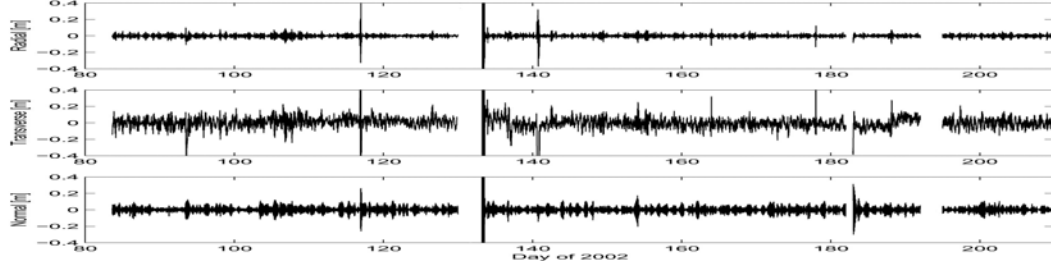


(a) Cases of 1.8738 hour for CT

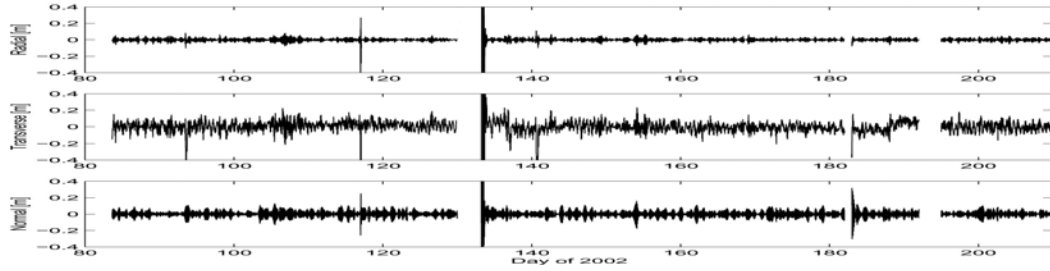


(b) Cases of 3 hours for CT

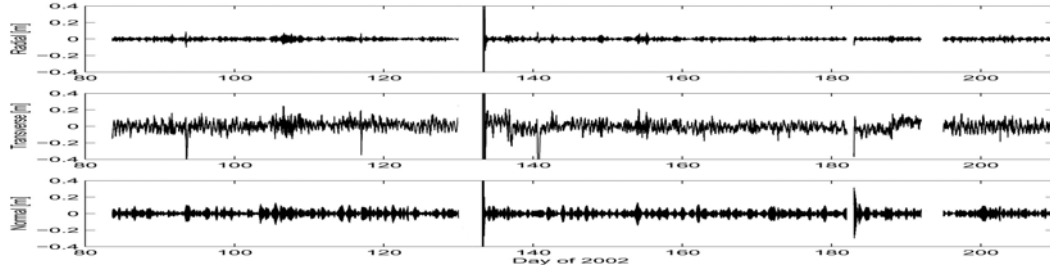
Figure 4.9: Comparison of Crossover RMSs of different 1-cpr T & N subarc lengths with (a) 1.8738 hour and (b) 3 hours for CT. For each case, it shows that, to estimate the 1-cpr T & N parameters and CT parameter simultaneously, longer subarc lengths for the estimation of 1-cpr T & N parameters than for the CT parameter are required.



(a) Case **sub1.5-1.5** (3 hours for CT, and 3 hours for 1-cpr T & N)



(b) Case **sub1.5-3** (3 hours for CT, and 6 hours for 1-cpr T & N)



(c) Case **sub1.5-4.5** (3 hours for CT, and 9 hours for 1-cpr T & N)

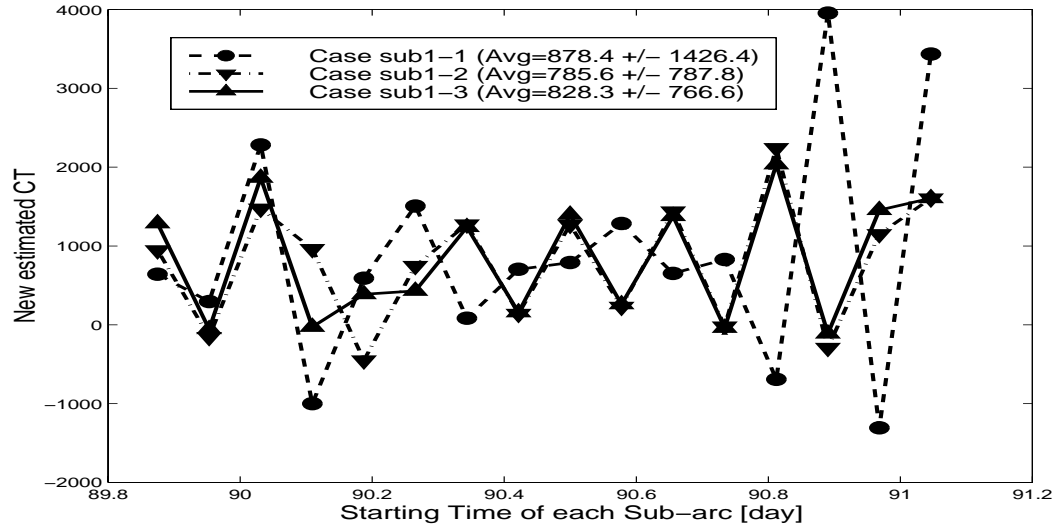
Figure 4.10: Orbit differences (TRACOM) compared to CSR SLR/DORIS solution. Days 117, 141 and 165 have big DDobs data gaps. Orbit maintenance occurred on Days 134 and 183. As shown, the tracking gaps can be overcome by conservative parameterization, but the orbit maintenance can not be overcome. Days 134 and 183 will be excluded from the full cycles for subsequent analysis.

gence of the estimated parameters in a subarc was examined. Sufficient data in a subarc should give a well converged estimate. Poor convergence may indicate that the subarc is too short to reflect the actual tracking data. For most of these test cases, the estimates of the empirical parameters appear to have converging well with 6 iterations. New converged estimates of the empirical acceleration parameters of each subarc were collected and their dispersion was investigated. For example, the distribution of newly estimated CT parameters of day 90 are shown for each estimation strategy in Figures 4.11(a) and 4.11(b). The concentrated distribution of new empirical parameter estimates for each subarc is desirable, but due to the imperfect tracking, some variation is also likely to be encountered.

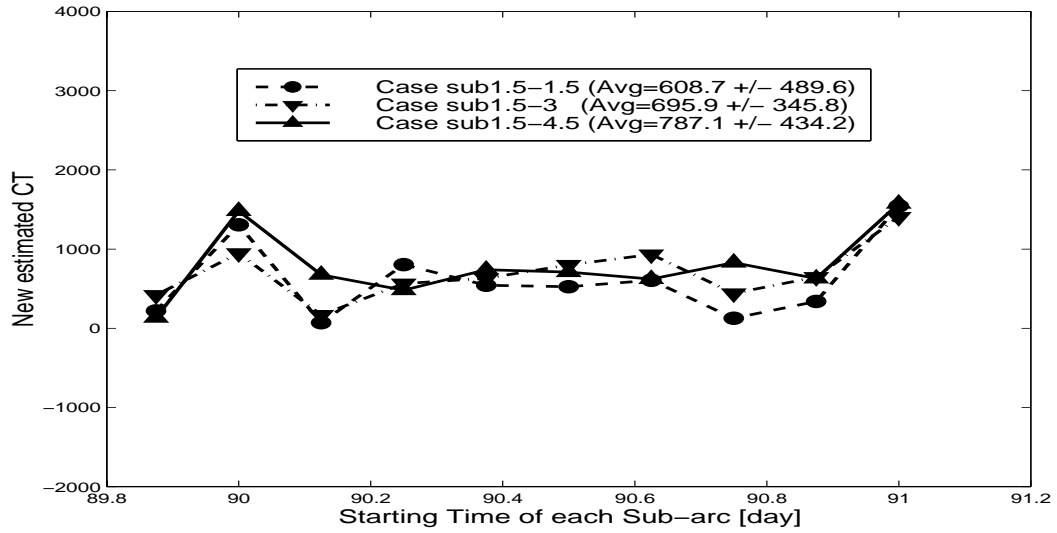
Figure 4.11(a) shows new CT estimates for each subarc for day 90 in **Case sub1-1**. The CT estimates (878.4 ± 1426.4) for sixteen 0.079-day subarcs for **Case 1-1** are highly dispersed, compared to the CT estimates for **Case 1-2** (785.6 ± 787.9), and **Case 1-3** (828.3 ± 766.6). It indicates that **Case sub1-1** was too heavily parameterized for the given tracking data. From a more conservative subarc length strategy, **Case sub-24**, the averaged estimate of CT over four 8.28-hour (or 0.345-day) subarcs is 780.8 (± 108.1), which shows highly concentrated distribution of the estimates. The estimates of amplitudes and phases of the T & N empirical parameters from **Case sub-24** are also highly concentrated. With moderately aggressive parameterization such as **Case sub1.5-4.5** with 3-hour subarcs for CT, the distribution of the estimates of the CT parameters as well as the T & N parameters appear to

be worsening when compared to conservative parameterizations such as **Case sub-24**. However, the distribution of the estimated CT parameters as shown Figure 4.11(b) is much more consistent than the distribution of the estimated CT parameters with the 1.8738-hour subarcs, and the crossover RMS with **Case sub1.5-4.5** is actually better than those with **Case sub-24** or **Case 1-series**, as shown in Table 4.14.

Comparing the GPS orbits to the SLR/DORIS orbits provides good insight for the orbit performance assessment. Figure 4.10 shows the orbit differences, computed using TRACOM, between CSR’s SLR/DORIS solution and GPS solutions. Figure 4.10(a) shows the comparison with the solution from **Case sub1.5-1.5**, Figure 4.10(b) for the comparison with **Case sub1.5-3**, and Figure 4.10(c) for the comparison with **Case sub1.5-4.5**. First of all, it needs to be mentioned that the large orbit differences at the starting epoch of day 134 and day 183 are due to the orbit maintenance as shown in Table 4.1. While CSR’s SLR/DORIS solutions were integrated starting from each cycle’s starting epoch, the GPS orbits were daily integrated starting at 21h:00m:00s (GPS time), which is a 3-hour advance of each day’s zero epoch. Thus, the effects of the maintenance maneuver were inevitable during the GPS processing. However, the large orbit differences shown in Figure 4.10 for day 117, 141 and 165 are caused by the DDobs gaps as shown in Table 4.3 and Figure 4.2(a). Also, unusually large crossover RMSs for cycle 11 from **Case sub1-1**, **Case sub1-2**, **Case sub1.5-1.5**, **Case sub2-2** and **Case sub3-3** as shown earlier in Table 4.14 can be explained by the large gap of DDobs in



(a) CT estimates for sixteen 1.8738-hour subarcs of day 90



(b) CT estimates for ten 3-hour subarcs of day 90

Figure 4.11: Distribution of new estimated CT parameters of subarcs for day 90. The distribution of the CT estimates from the 3-hour subarc length is more consistent.

day 117 (see Table 4.3). The large crossover RMSs for cycle 13 from **Case sub1.5-1.5**, **Case sub2-4**, **Case sub3-3**, **Case sub3-4**, **Case sub3-5** and **Case sub-12** can also be explained by the large gap of DDobs in day 141 and the attitude control in day 134.

It is difficult to accommodate the model errors caused during the maintenance maneuver by optimizing parameterization. Thus, Days 134 and 183 with the maintenance maneuver will be excluded for subsequent study. However, the large orbit differences caused by the DDobs gaps irrelevant to maintenance maneuver can be reduced by adopting a more conservative parameterization strategy for the empirical acceleration model parameters. Figure 4.10 shows the improvement of the orbits for day 117 and day 141, by applying optimal parameterization. With **Case sub1.5-1.5** (3 hours for CT and 1-cpr T & N), the radial orbit differences for day 117 and 141 are larger than 30 cm. With **Case sub1.5-3** (3 hours for CT and 6 hours for 1-cpr T & N), the radial orbit differences for day 141 are significantly reduced to less than 10 cm. With **Case sub1.5-4.5** (3 hours for CT and 9 hours for 1-cpr T & N), the further orbit improvement is clearly seen for day 117 and 141.

Conclusively, the mean value comparison of crossover RMSs over all cycles in Table 4.14 shows that orbit solutions of **Case sub1.5-4.5** or **Case sub1.5-10** perform best with the crossover RMS of 6.01 (± 0.2) cm. In this study, the subarc parameterization of **Case 1.5-4.5** (3 hours for CT and 9 hours for 1-cpr T & N) will be adopted for the GPS-only nominal orbits.

The overall inertial centering of the GPS orbit solutions for cycles 8 to

20 appear to be not so good, as in Table 4.13. Although the averaged value of the crossover Mean over the cycles is 0.06 cm in **Case sub1.5-4.5**, the magnitudes of the crossover Means of cycle 11, 12, 16, 19 and 20, are larger than 1 cm. The miscentering of orbits for those cycles appears persistently, regardless of the various subarc length strategies, which indicates that the orbits with GPS-only tracking are not inertially well centered, especially over short arcs. However, the crossover Means near or larger than 1 cm can also be caused by the bad altimeter data during those periods. Indeed, the orbits of those cycles from SLR/DORIS also show relatively large crossover Means (see Table 5.6(a) in Chapter 5). The averaged value of the SLR residual RMSs over the cycles as shown in Table 4.15 is 1.3 (± 0.3) cm for **Case sub1.5-4.5**, and the maximal SLR residual RMS is 1.9 cm. For all subarc length cases, the averaged value of the SLR residual RMSs is under 2 cm, which is a promising result for the orbit estimated in the dynamic approach with no SLR data.

4.2.3 GPS Satellite Orbits and Orbit Element Correction

To estimate the precise LEO orbit, accurate ephemerides of GPS satellites are needed. In the initial period of the T/P mission, IGS solutions for GPS satellites were not accurate enough to help T/P GPS-only orbits to reach the same level of accuracy of SLR/DORIS orbits. However, over the past decade, the accuracy of IGS solutions has been significantly improved. For this research, GPS satellite orbits are fixed to IGS solutions instead of solving the GPS satellite orbits simultaneously with the Jason-1 orbit.

The improvement of GPS satellite orbits is particularly important to help the inertial centering of the Jason-1 orbits that are processed from GPS-only tracking. Without sufficiently accurate GPS satellite orbits, the already unstable inertial center of the GPS-only orbits due to no support from the SLR tracking might float even further around the actual orbit center. Although the accuracy of IGS solutions for the GPS satellite orbits has been improved, there might be still a possibility for further improvement by introducing the orbit element correction method. The orbit element correction method is introduced to absorb the remaining orbit errors in the ephemerides of the GPS satellites by considering them as a measurement error of the fixed GPS orbits. The computed ranges of GPS satellites can be expressed as:

$$\rho_c = |\vec{\rho}_{sat}| + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \alpha} \delta \alpha \quad (4.5)$$

where, $\vec{\rho}_{sat} = \vec{r}_{sat} - \vec{r}_{sta}$, \vec{r}_{sat} and \vec{r}_{sta} are position vectors of the satellite and a tracking station respectively in geocentric coordinates; and $\alpha(t)$ denotes the set of classical Keplerian orbital elements at time t , such that the elements of $\alpha \equiv [a \ e \ I \ \omega \ \Omega \ M]^T$ are the semi-major axis, eccentricity, inclination, argument of perigee, longitude of the node and the mean anomaly of each satellite in their respective orbits. The vector of variations of each orbital elements is denoted by $\Delta \alpha$.

The set of kinematic relations between the perturbations of the classical Keplerian orbital elements and the perturbations of position and velocity in the radial, transverse and normal (RTN) directions has been derived previously

[Rosborough, 1986; Casotto, 1993]. The set of the perturbations of position and velocity denoted by $\Delta p(t)$. It is the set composed of six elements of differences in the inertial position and velocity of a satellite from the reference orbit:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta p &\equiv [\Delta \vec{r} \cdot \hat{e}_R \quad \Delta \vec{r} \cdot \hat{e}_T \quad \Delta \vec{r} \cdot \hat{e}_N \quad \Delta \vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_R \quad \Delta \vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_T \quad \Delta \vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_N]^T \\ &\equiv [\Delta R \quad \Delta T \quad \Delta N \quad \Delta \dot{R} \quad \Delta \dot{T} \quad \Delta \dot{N}]^T\end{aligned}\quad (4.6)$$

where the \hat{e} denotes unit vectors along the radial R, transverse T, and normal N directions of a GPS satellite. The $\vec{r}(t)$ and $\vec{v}(t)$ are the inertial position and velocity of the satellite at time t .

The relationship between $\Delta p(t)$ and $\Delta \alpha(t)$, which was derived to the first order in eccentricity, can be expressed as a six dimensional set of linear equations [Eanes, 1995]:

$$\Delta p(t) = Y(t) \cdot \Delta \alpha(t) \quad (4.7)$$

The non-zero elements of matrix $Y(t)$ have been derived to the first order in eccentricity as:

$$Y(t) = \bar{a} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{a}^{-1} & -C_{\bar{M}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \bar{e}S_{\bar{M}} \\ 0 & 2S_{\bar{M}} & 0 & 1 - \bar{e}C_{\bar{M}} & C_{\bar{I}} & 1 + \bar{e}C_{\bar{M}} \\ 0 & 0 & S_{\bar{u}} & 0 & -S_{\bar{I}}C_{\bar{u}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\bar{n}S_{\bar{M}} & 0 & -\bar{n}(1 + \bar{e}C_{\bar{M}}) & -\bar{n}C_{\bar{I}} & -\bar{n}(1 + 2\bar{e}C_{\bar{M}}) \\ -\frac{1}{2}\bar{n}\bar{a}^{-1} & \bar{n}C_{\bar{M}} & 0 & \bar{n}\bar{e}S_{\bar{M}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{n}C_{\bar{u}} & 0 & \bar{e}S_{\bar{I}}S_{\bar{u}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.8)$$

where $C_{\bar{M}} \equiv \cos \bar{M}$, $S_{\bar{M}} \equiv \sin \bar{M}$, $C_{\bar{I}} \equiv \cos \bar{I}$, $S_{\bar{I}} \equiv \sin \bar{I}$, $C_{\bar{u}} \equiv \cos \bar{u}$, $S_{\bar{u}} \equiv \sin \bar{u}$, $\bar{u}(\equiv \bar{\omega} + \bar{M})$ is the mean argument of latitude, and \bar{n} is the average mean-motion of the satellite. The overbars indicate that the quantity is evaluated

on the reference orbit, and Δ indicates the difference of the reference orbit from the true orbit. From Equation 4.7 and 4.8, the perturbation in the radial direction, ΔR , can be expressed in terms of Δa , Δe and ΔM as:

$$\Delta R = \bar{a}(\bar{a}^{-1}\Delta a - C_{\bar{M}}\Delta e + \bar{e}S_{\bar{M}}\Delta M) \quad (4.9)$$

The perturbations in the transverse (T), and normal (N) directions are also expressed as:

$$\Delta T = \bar{a}[2S_{\bar{M}}\Delta e + (1 - \bar{e}C_{\bar{M}})\Delta\omega + C_{\bar{I}}\Delta\Omega + (1 + \bar{e}C_{\bar{M}})\Delta M] \quad (4.10)$$

$$\Delta N = \bar{a}(S_{\bar{u}}\Delta I - S_{\bar{I}}C_{\bar{u}}\Delta\Omega) \quad (4.11)$$

Case	Corrected Orbit Elements
Case Non	No orbit element correction
Case delA	Semi-major axis (a)
Case delE	Eccentricity (e)
Case delI	Inclination (i)
Case delS	Argument of perigee (ω)
Case delC	Longitude of the node (Ω)
Case delM	Mean Anomaly (M)
Case delCI	(Ω, i)
Case delAEM	(a, e, M)
Case delEISC	(e, i, ω, Ω)
Case delAEISCM	($a, e, i, \omega, \Omega, M$)

Table 4.16: Cases for Orbit Solution with Different Data Combination

Table 4.16 shows the test cases for the study of the orbital element correction. For each case, subarc lengths of 3 hours for the estimation of CT and 9 hours for the estimation of the 1-cpr T and N parameters are employed.

During an experiment for T/P in the early 1990s when the IGS solutions were not accurate enough, a small improvement from **Case delEISC** with the estimation of $(\Delta e, \Delta i, \Delta \Omega, \Delta \omega)$ was observed. **Case delAEM** was chosen to see a possible orbit improvement of Jason-1 by adjusting the perturbation along the radial direction ΔR of the GPS satellite orbits from the relation between ΔR and $(\Delta a, \Delta e, \Delta M)$ as shown in Equation 4.9.

Table 4.17 shows the comparison of the crossover and SLR residual statistics for each orbit element correction case. Except for Δe , correcting only one orbit element appears to make little difference from the orbit of **Case Non**. In **Case delE**, the estimation of Δe shows clear degradation of the orbit accuracy in all of the three statistics: 1) the crossover RMS of **Case delE** is 6.03 cm, which is larger than 5.97 cm of other cases, 2) the crossover Mean of **Case delE** is 0.9 (± 10.6) mm, which is larger than ~ 0.4 (± 8.2) mm of other cases, and 3) the SLR residual RMS of **Case delE** is 1.33 cm, which is larger than 1.26 cm of other cases. Furthermore, the orbits of **Case delAEM**, **Case delEISC** and **Case delAEISCM** do not perform better than the orbit of **Case Non**.

Conclusively, the correction of any of GPS satellite orbit elements rarely shows orbit performance improvement, if any, otherwise it degrades the orbit quality. This implies that with the orbit element correction method, the accommodation of the remaining errors in the GPS reference orbits, which are IGS precise solution in this study, may not be efficient.

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each Case of Orbit Element Correction										
	Non	delC	delS	delA	delE	delI	delM	delAEM	delCI	delEISC	delAEISCM
8	2.1	4.9	5.8	2.5	10.4	5.1	5.8	13.8	5.1	13.3	19.9
9	5.5	4.6	7.2	5.0	8.2	6.7	7.2	8.8	5.4	9.7	10.1
10	6.6	6.3	8.1	5.4	9.7	6.4	8.1	10.0	6.3	10.4	9.3
11	-7.5	-6.8	-5.5	-9.9	-9.3	-8.7	-5.5	-9.7	-7.5	-7.5	-13.4
12	-13.5	-14.1	-13.7	-13.9	-19.8	-14.6	-13.7	-19.2	-16.4	-21.9	-24.2
13	-.5	-2.5	-1.2	-2.1	-1.4	-1.7	-1.3	-4.9	-2.5	-2.1	-2.6
14	-1.1	-2.5	-2.8	-.3	-7.6	-2.4	-2.8	-8.1	-3.1	-10.8	-11.6
15	-6.5	-6.3	-7.3	-4.8	-6.8	-6.9	-7.3	-6.3	-7.1	-8.9	-6.3
16	-12.0	-10.2	-9.2	-9.8	-6.3	-11.3	-9.1	-4.9	-11.8	-5.1	-6.4
17	5.6	5.6	5.7	7.5	13.0	7.1	5.6	10.1	6.5	18.3	17.5
18	-.7	-1.0	-1.1	-.3	-2.9	-.8	-1.1	-2.0	-.7	-2.2	-1.9
19	12.8	12.5	13.7	13.4	12.3	13.9	13.4	16.7	11.7	16.6	24.8
20	13.0	11.8	8.6	13.0	12.2	11.9	8.6	11.5	9.2	7.3	18.0
Mean	.3	.2	.6	.4	.9	.4	.6	1.2	-.4	1.3	2.6

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each Case of Orbit Element Correction										
	Non	delC	delS	delA	delE	delI	delM	delAEM	delCI	delEISC	delAEISCM
8	61.8	62.4	62.2	61.8	63.3	62.0	62.2	64.4	62.1	63.7	65.6
9	59.3	58.9	59.1	59.4	59.4	59.3	59.1	59.4	59.0	59.6	59.7
10	61.3	61.4	61.6	61.0	61.9	61.3	61.6	62.0	61.5	62.3	61.7
11	60.9	60.8	60.7	61.2	61.7	61.0	60.7	61.9	60.7	61.5	62.8
12	55.7	55.9	55.6	56.0	57.9	56.0	55.6	57.9	56.8	58.9	60.1
13	63.1	63.3	63.1	63.3	63.4	63.1	63.1	63.9	62.2	62.4	62.9
14	58.4	58.4	58.5	58.4	59.5	58.3	58.5	59.6	58.4	59.9	60.1
15	60.1	59.2	59.4	59.8	59.6	60.2	59.5	59.4	59.3	59.7	59.4
16	62.9	62.8	62.6	62.2	62.2	62.9	62.6	61.6	63.2	62.2	62.0
17	59.6	59.7	59.5	59.8	61.4	59.9	59.5	60.6	60.0	62.9	62.7
18	55.6	55.9	55.7	55.7	55.7	55.8	55.7	55.7	56.0	56.1	55.9
19	59.6	59.7	60.2	59.7	59.7	59.9	60.0	61.2	59.4	61.3	63.9
20	58.2	57.8	57.3	58.3	58.2	58.1	57.2	58.0	57.6	57.8	60.0
Mean	59.7	59.7	59.7	59.7	60.3	59.8	59.6	60.4	59.7	60.6	61.3

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS ($> 70^\circ$) for each Case of Orbit Element Correction										
	Non	delC	delS	delA	delE	delI	delM	delAEM	delCI	delEISC	delAEISCM
8	11.9	11.7	11.9	12.2	11.0	11.7	11.9	12.7	12.3	14.6	14.9
9	13.0	12.2	12.3	13.1	12.8	13.4	12.3	12.2	12.6	12.5	12.4
10	13.1	12.7	12.7	13.0	13.1	13.1	12.7	12.4	12.6	12.6	12.3
11	13.5	14.7	14.5	14.1	14.5	13.6	14.5	14.8	14.9	14.5	15.4
12	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.9	9.3	7.5	7.7	8.9	7.5	8.9	9.3
13	9.9	13.4	11.9	11.6	10.2	9.2	12.0	13.9	11.3	9.5	9.8
14	10.1	10.0	9.5	10.2	12.4	10.0	9.5	12.1	10.4	12.6	13.0
15	15.3	14.6	14.2	15.4	15.0	15.4	14.2	15.5	14.2	16.0	15.7
16	13.2	15.3	13.2	12.6	13.8	13.6	13.2	13.5	14.9	15.2	14.1
17	11.4	11.6	11.4	11.0	15.0	11.6	11.4	13.1	11.6	14.9	14.2
18	9.0	9.2	8.5	9.0	9.8	8.8	8.5	9.4	9.0	9.7	9.8
19	17.5	18.5	19.2	17.8	18.1	19.2	19.0	19.7	19.8	23.0	23.0
20	16.3	16.5	16.5	16.2	17.6	16.2	16.5	18.1	16.9	18.4	20.4
Mean	12.5	12.9	12.6	12.6	13.3	12.6	12.6	13.6	12.9	14.0	14.2

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 4.17: Orbit Improvement with Orbit Element Correction [Unit:mm]. The correction of any of GPS satellite orbit elements rarely shows orbit performance improvement, if any. Otherwise, it degrades the orbit quality.

Chapter 5

Orbit Improvement by Combining SLR/DORIS with GPS

For T/P, the official orbit solutions were based on SLR and DORIS tracking data. Its experimental orbits from GPS-only were not significantly superior to the SLR/DORIS orbits, presumably because the quality of the GPS data from the Demonstration Receiver was not good enough. In the previous chapter, it was shown that Jason-1 orbit solutions from GPS-only data using the dynamic approach underperformed the orbits from SLR/DORIS data.

However, it is possible that orbits determined with all three measurement types can perform better than the orbits from SLR/DORIS tracking, especially for Jason-1, because of the enhanced quality of GPS tracking. One objective of this chapter is to seek the optimal relative weighting for each measurement type to produce the best performing orbits from combined measurement systems. Another objective is to determine each observation type's contribution and to find the best combination of measurement types. Since it is obvious that SLR tracking is essential to tie the orbits to the reference frame and both DORIS and GPS tracking have the capability of continuous and all-weather coverage, which measurement system among DORIS and GPS

will be better to be combined with SLR is an interesting question especially, if we do not intend to utilize all three of the measurement systems. Orbits from a combination of only two systems may outperform the orbits from combining all three of the systems. The performance of each orbit will be examined using the crossover test and the SLR residual test.

In order to process the combined data of SLR/DORIS and GPS, modified implementations in Fortran 90 were added to MSODP. The version of MSODP for this research is 2001.2, several subroutines of which were modified and improved based on the modsets for the 9408 version [H. Rim, personal communication, 1998]. The modified subroutines for combining data types are described in Appendix E.2 and the job deck is also provided in Appendix E.1. The main change to the code was made to read the tracking data of all three data types from one data file (especially in the codes of OBSERV.f90 and READOB.f90). To obtain the mixed data file combined with SLR/DORIS and GPS tracking data, the Double-Differenced Observation (DDObs) data were converted to the UTOPIA data format [see UTOPIA manual] from the Double-Differenced CSR format [see MSODP manual], then all three type data in the UTOPIA format were merged and sorted in the chronological order based on time-tags (UTC). The subroutine of GPSPAR.f90 was added to process DDObs in the UTOPIA format in MSODP. The mixed data file called ‘OBSDAT’ contains the observation data type for each data. For SLR and DORIS, there is one observation for one time. However, DDObs data have multiple observation at the same epoch and they all have to be processed at

the same time according to each observation's data type. Also, station information files for all three data types need to be provided to weight each data type differently in the process. The weighting of each data type is further discussed in Section 5.2.

In this chapter, the preprocessing of the SLR/DORIS data will be described. The optimal estimation frequency of the empirical parameters for the processing with the combined data will be investigated in Section 5.3.1. Each observation type's optimal relative weighting will be sought in Section 5.3.2 and each observation type's contribution will be investigated in Section 5.4. Orbits by using different gravity models will be compared in Section 5.5. Finally, the orbit solutions from external institutes will be compared with the orbit solution from the combined data in Section 5.6.

5.1 SLR/DORIS data processing

Like the GPS data, raw CNES Jason-1 DORIS data were downloaded from `ftp://spike.cst.cnes.fr`. The downloaded raw data were rearranged from station-ordered to time-ordered. Duplicate observations within 500 microseconds of each other from the same station were checked and removed. CNES's phase solutions were substituted to the phases that were repaired at CSR during the preprocessing stage. Time bias offsets in the DORIS data were also repaired, if needed.

Figure 5.1 shows each DORIS data's station visibility and groundtrack plots for the raw data. During cycle 1 to cycle 20, 55 DORIS stations tracked

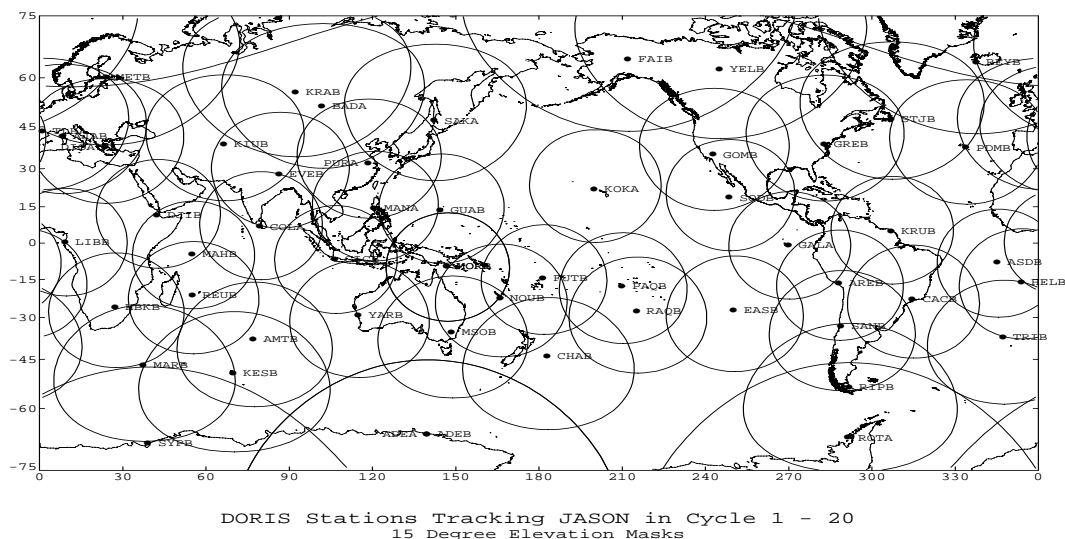
Jason-1 as shown in Figure 5.1(a). In Figure 5.1(b), the ground track distribution of the raw data for cycle 15 is shown. In the period of cycle 15, 47 DORIS stations tracked Jason-1. Stations such as ADEA, MORA, GALA, EVEB, GUAB, MARB, AJAB, and ADEB were not active in this period. Although not all of the DORIS stations are always active, the all-weather tracking capability of DORIS provides very dense and vast tracking data for most of time.

On the other hand, SLR tracking are much susceptible to the weather conditions. Figure 5.2 shows SLR data station's visibility and groundtrack plots for the SLR data. Since the Jason-1 launch, 28 SLR stations have been available as shown in Figure 5.2(a). Most of the SLR stations are located in the northern hemisphere. The ground track distribution for the SLR data of cycle 15 in Figure 5.2(b) shows that the distribution of SLR tracking is far less dense and scarce when compared to the DORIS tracking distribution.

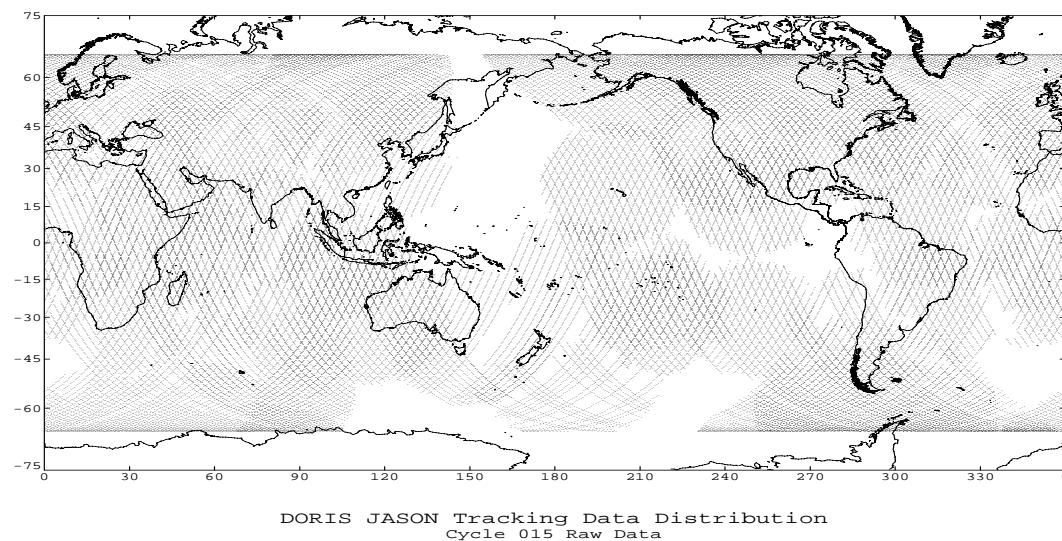
The daily passes and observations collected by the DORIS and SLR tracking systems from day-of-year (doy) 80 to 210 of the year 2002 are shown in Figure 5.3 and 5.4 respectively. As shown in Figure 5.4(b), the SLR tracking system provides about 10-20 passes per day, which is about the same number of passes per day tracked by T/P [Tapley *et al.*, 1994]. The weakness of several days for SLR tracking appears to be due to seasonal weather effects and from operator scheduling rather than from orbit maneuvers. Figure 5.3(b) shows that the DORIS tracking system routinely provides about 140 - 160 passes per day, which is almost 40 more passes per day than the daily passes of T/P

[Tapley *et al.*, 1994]. The weakness in DORIS tracking on several days is mainly due to the orbit maneuver between the cycles. Those days are day 84 (obs # = 4361, pass # = 68), 94 (obs # = 7098, pass # = 105), 134 (obs # = 7493, pass # = 117), and 183 (obs # = 7963, pass # = 113). The tracking weakness on day 117 (obs # = 8360, pass # = 117) is also observed for DORIS with a gap from 2h:00m:00s to 5h:00m:00s (UTC). This is not related to orbit maneuvers. Remember that the tracking weakness of day 117 was also observed for GPS with a 7-hour long gap as shown in Figure 4.2. The tracking weakness which occurred in both DORIS and GPS tracking may deteriorate the orbit solution of cycle 11.

Figure 5.5 shows the distribution of pass numbers with respect to the observation numbers per pass in Cycle 8 - 20 for SLR and DORIS. The figure also indicates the pass length distribution, since the observation numbers per pass are linked to the pass lengths. For DORIS, the observation interval in a pass is 10 sec. Therefore, Figure 5.5(b) shows that passes of about 15 minutes long are dominant during cycles 8 - 20, although there are a few passes as long as 40 minutes. Most of DORIS passes are longer than 5 minutes. For SLR, the observation interval in a pass is not regular. At most, approximately 70 observations in a pass are made and about 10 observations in a pass are usually observed as shown in Figure 5.5(a). The minimum number of observations per pass for the processing of SLR and DORIS in MSODP is set to one.

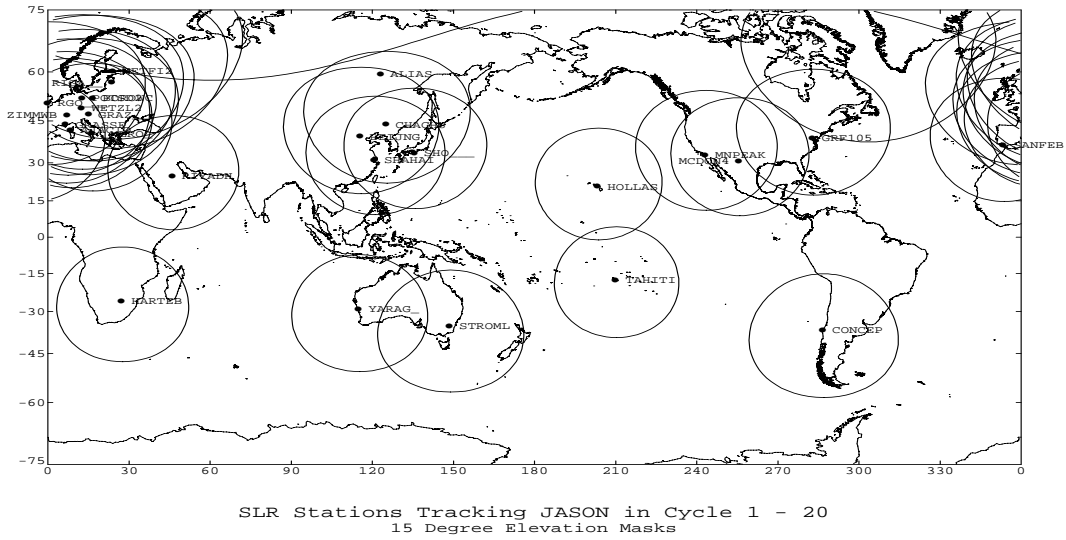


(a) 55 DORIS Stations tracking Jason-1 in cycle 1 - 20 (15° elevation mask)

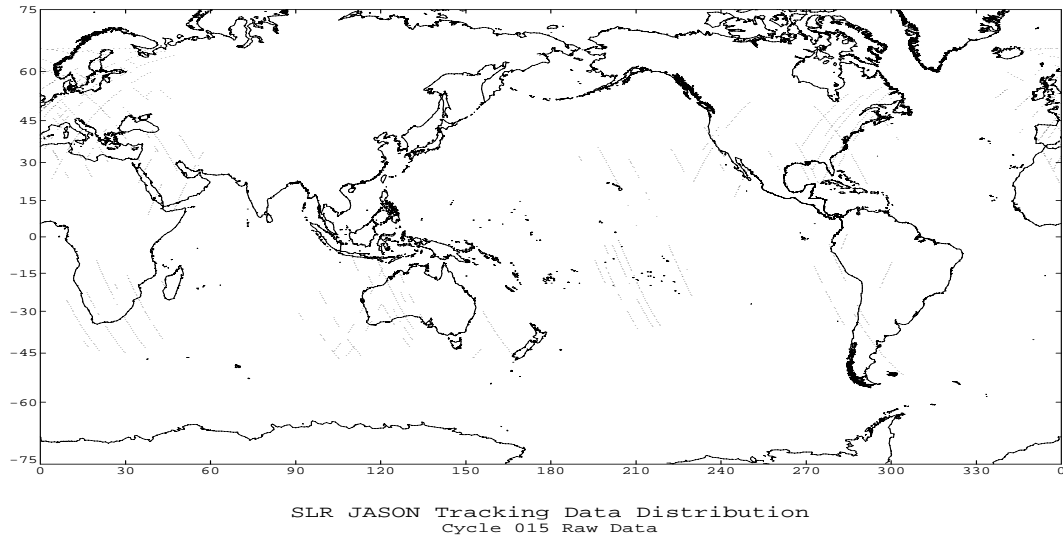


(b) DORIS Jason-1 Tracking Data Distribution for cycle 15

Figure 5.1: 55 DORIS Stations for cycle 1 - 20 (top) and Tracking Data Distribution from 47 stations for cycle 15 (bottom)

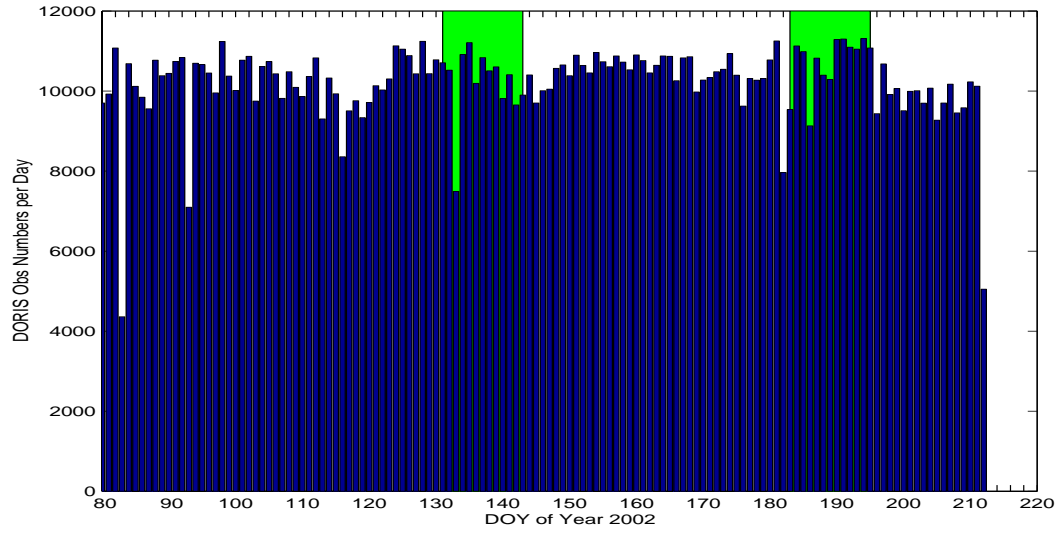


(a) 28 SLR Stations tracking Jason-1 in cycle 1 - 20 (15° elevation mask)

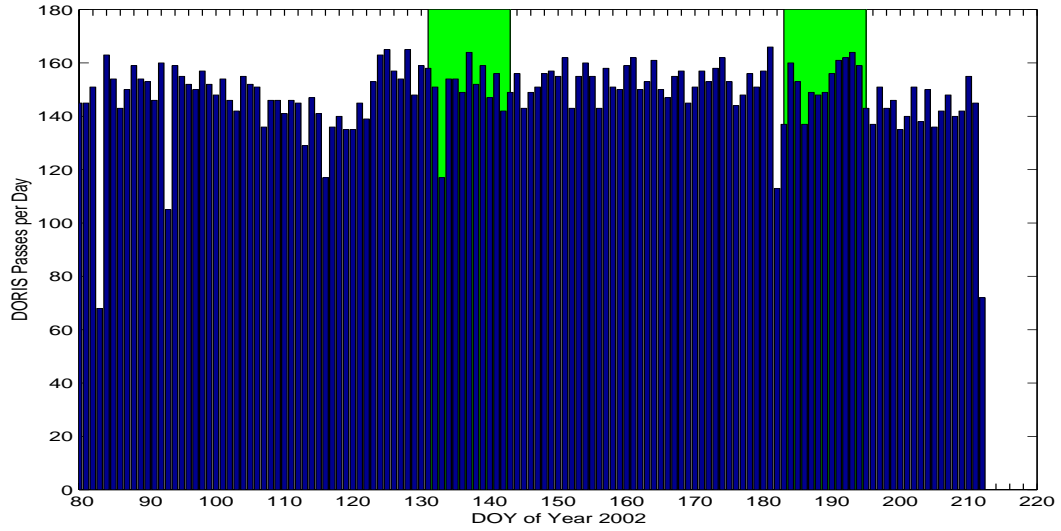


(b) SLR Jason-1 Tracking Data Distribution for cycle 15

Figure 5.2: SLR Stations for cycle 1 - 20 (top) and Tracking Data Distribution for cycle 15 (bottom)

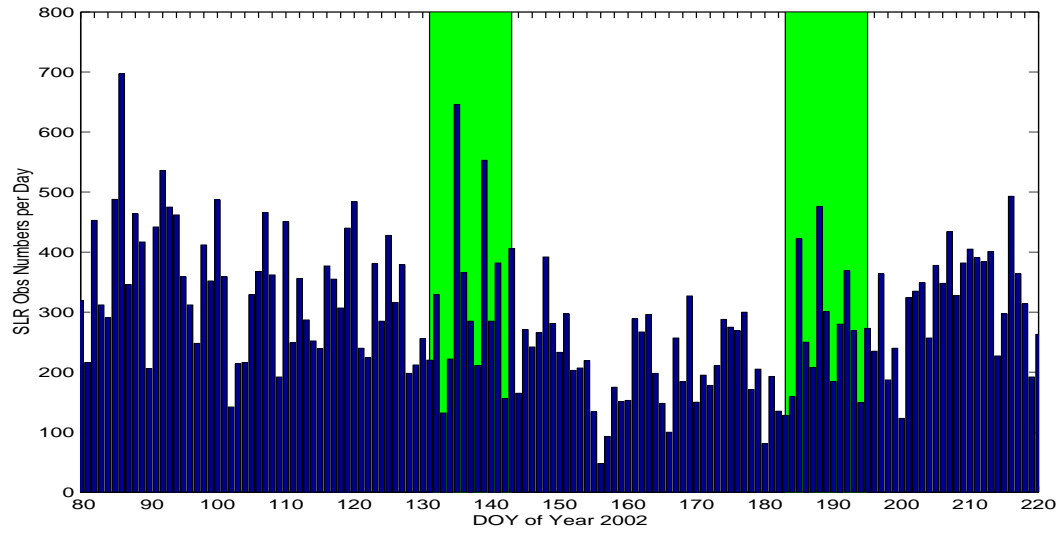


(a) DORIS Obs Numbers per Day

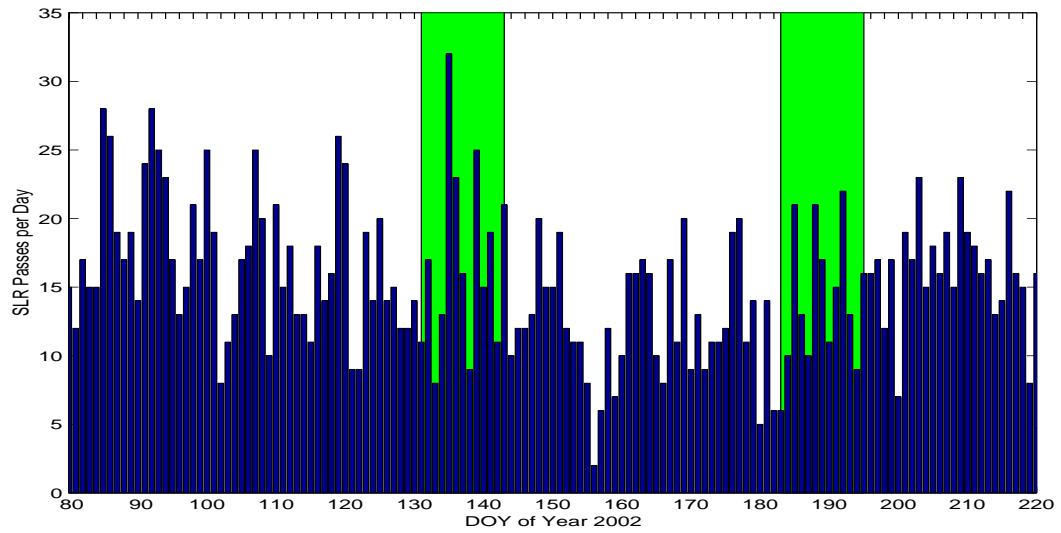


(b) DORIS Passes per Day

Figure 5.3: DORIS Observation Numbers (top) and Pass Numbers (bottom) per Day. There were orbit maneuvers during days 141 and 183. Green region shows the yaw fixed regime.

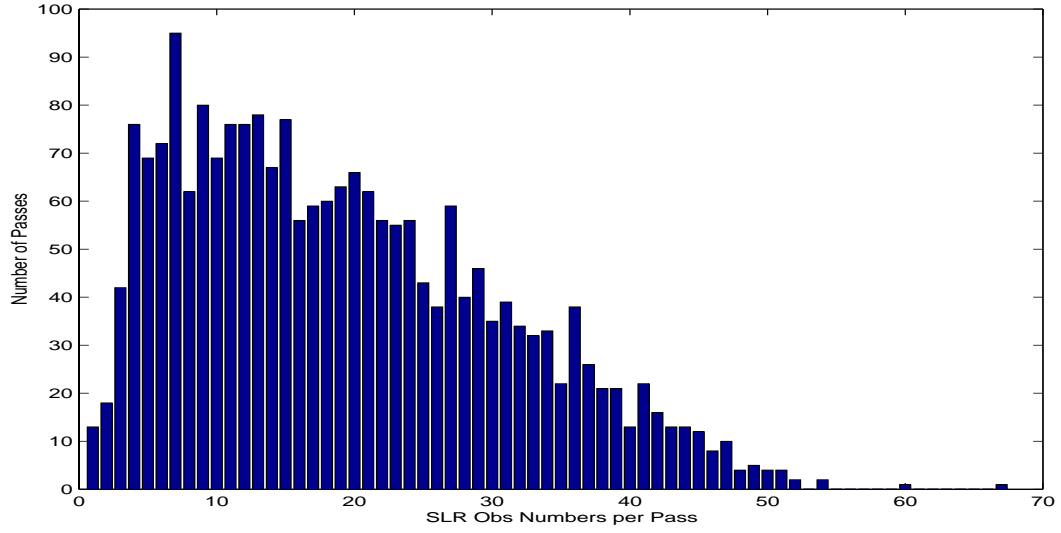


(a) SLR Obs Numbers per Day

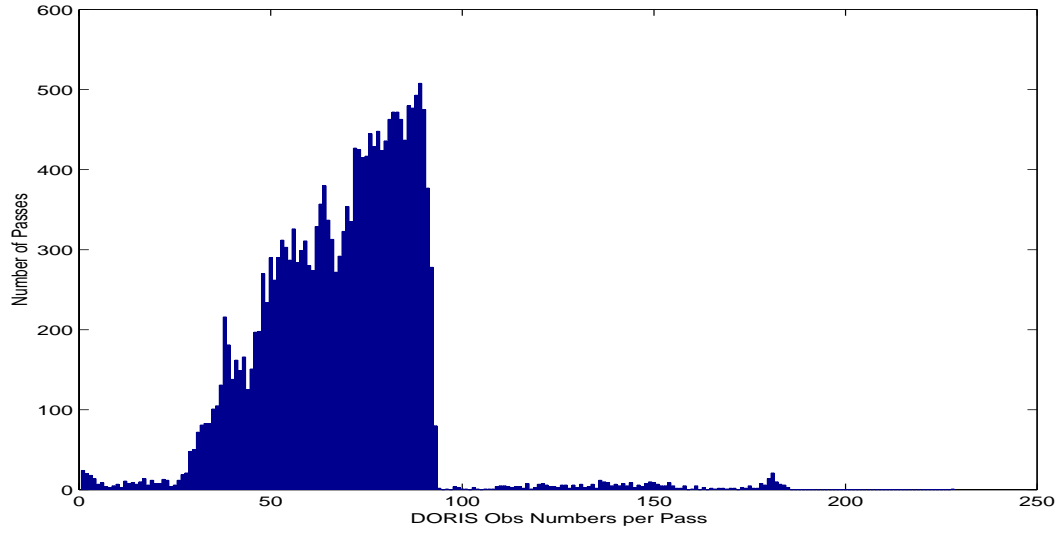


(b) SLR Passes per Day

Figure 5.4: SLR Observation Numbers (top) and Pass Numbers (bottom) per Day



(a) Number of Passes w.r.t. SLR Obs Numbers per Pass



(b) Number of Passes w.r.t. DORIS Obs Numbers per Pass

Figure 5.5: Number of Passes w.r.t. Observation Numbers per Pass for SLR (top) and DORIS (bottom) in Cycle 8 - 20. Observation Numbers per Pass indicates the pass lengths.

5.2 Overview of Precise Orbit Determination with the Combined Data

Given a sequence of observations y_1, y_2, \dots, y_l related through the state transition matrix to the state at some general time, x_k , and an associated weight w_i for each of the observations, one can write

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= H_1 x_k + \varepsilon_1 ; w_1 \\ y_2 &= H_2 x_k + \varepsilon_2 ; w_2 \\ &\vdots \quad\quad \quad \vdots \\ y_l &= H_l x_k + \varepsilon_l ; w_l \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

where,

$$H_i = \tilde{H}_i \Phi(t_i, t_k) \quad (5.2)$$

and ε_l is the error for the observation y_l . In Equation 5.1, the weights, w_i , are assumed to range between zero and one, the observation weighted with one would be given the highest weight while the observations weighted with zero would be neglected. Equation 5.1 can be expressed as:

$$y = Hx_k + \varepsilon \quad ; \quad W \quad (5.3)$$

where,

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_l \end{bmatrix}; H = \begin{bmatrix} H_1 \\ H_2 \\ \vdots \\ H_l \end{bmatrix}; \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_l \end{bmatrix}; W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & w_l \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.4)$$

The normal equation form of the weighted least squares problem can be derived as [Tapley, 1973]:

$$(H^T W H) \hat{x}_k = H^T W y \quad (5.5)$$

where, H^TWH is referred to as the normal matrix. If the normal matrix is positive definite, it will have an inverse and the solution to Equation 5.5 is:

$$\hat{x}_k = (H^TWH)^{-1}H^TWy \quad (5.6)$$

By defining the variance-covariance matrix P_k , Equation 5.6 can be expressed as:

$$\hat{x}_k = P_kH^TWy \quad (5.7)$$

where, $P_k = (H^TWH)^{-1}$. The value of \hat{x}_k is the weighted least squares estimate and is the estimate which minimizes the sum of the weighted observation errors.

The weighting matrix, W , usually results from an initial judgement on the accuracy of the observations followed by a normalization procedure to scale the weights to values between zero and one. W is equal to the inverse of the observation noise covariance matrix, R so that $W = R^{-1}$.

The observation noise covariance matrix, R , is defined by assuming that the observation error ε is random with zero mean such as:

$$R_i = E[\varepsilon_i\varepsilon_i^T] \quad (5.8)$$

In matrix form, the R matrix can be expressed as:

$$R = E[\varepsilon\varepsilon^T] = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & & 0 \\ & R_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ 0 & & & R_l \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.9)$$

For the process with the combined measurement types, the weighting matrix should represent each measurement type's relative observation accuracy as well as the observation noise from different stations.

To control the relative weighting of the mixed data types, GPS and DORIS/SLR are weighted in different ways. The data of SLR are weighted according to the individual tracking stations. DORIS is generally weighted the same, but a few stations are downweighted due to poorer performance. GPS double-differenced observations are not weighted for each station individually, since GPS observations from all the stations tend to be relatively homogeneous. In addition, the observation is a combination from two observing stations, and each data is differenced between two different stations with a variety of combinations among many stations each time.

5.3 Parameterization and Orbit Solution

A relative weight for each data type which will produce the best orbit solution will be defined as the optimal relative weight. In the process of combining measurement systems, finding an optimal relative weight for each data type is the main goal. In Section 5.3.2, many combinations with different relative weighting for each data type will be explored, then their orbit solutions will be compared by using the altimeter crossover statistics and SLR residuals. All of the orbit solutions compared in this section, in searching for the optimal weight, were processed by using all three data types simultaneously. To see the contribution of each data type to the orbit improvement, the orbit

performance comparison by using combinations with only one or two different data types instead of three data types (i.e. combination of GPS and SLR, or combination of GPS and DORIS) will be discussed in Section 5.4. The best possible combination of data types for the best solution, whether it is the combination of all three data types or not, will also be discussed in Section 5.4.

Before the search for the optimal relative weight in Section 5.3.2, the optimal subarc length for the estimation of the empirical force parameters with the combined measurement system will be determined in Section 5.3.1. To find the optimal subarc length, a priori sigmas for the weights of each measurement type were applied for all of the experimental cases are 10 cm for SLR, 2 mm/s for DORIS and 20 cm for GPS.

5.3.1 Optimal Subarc Length

In Section 4.2.2, when only GPS data is used for the orbit determination, optimal subarc lengths for the estimation of the 1-cpr T & N empirical parameters and for the estimation of CT are 9 hours and 3 hours respectively. However, when the SLR/DORIS data are combined with GPS data, it is expected that the optimal subarc lengths can be further shortened with the mutual support of each tracking system. Combining SLR/DORIS with GPS will help to push the parameterization heavier. In this section, the optimal estimation frequency for the empirical force parameters will be re-examined, when the SLR/DORIS data are combined with the GPS data.

Fig 4.2(b) shows that the GPS tracking is much denser than the SLR tracking, and even denser than the DORIS tracking as shown in Figure 5.3(a) and 5.4(a). The dominant DDpass length shown in 4.3 is 30 minutes with the maximal pass length of 50 minutes, while the passes of SLR and DORIS are usually much shorter than DDpasses as shown in 5.5. Figure 5.5(b) indicates that the dominant pass length of DORIS is about 15 minutes. The numbers of observed DDpasses are also much more than the numbers of DORIS passes. This suggests that the addition of SLR/DORIS to GPS may not severely shorten the optimal subarc length for the estimation of empirical force parameters. However, the addition of SLR/DORIS to GPS can still improve the orbit solution compared with the GPS-only solution.

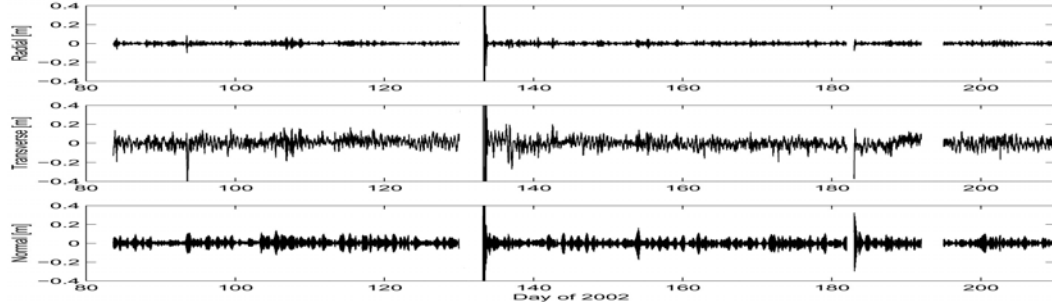


Figure 5.6: Orbit differences (TRACOM) from CSR SLR/DORIS orbit and GPS/SLR/DORIS orbit with 3-hour subarc for CT, and with 6-hour subarc for 1-cpr T & N. The orbits of days 134 and 183 with orbit maneuvers were not improved even by combining measurement systems compared to the GPS-only orbits in Figure 4.10. These two days were excluded for the orbit assessment.

Obvious examples of the orbit improvement by mutual support of GPS and DORIS are the orbit solutions of day 117 and day 141. In Table 4.3,

the GPS data of day 117 show a long gap for 24,120 seconds starting at 19h:53m:00s (GPS time). Also for day 141, there is a long GPS data gap of 36,960 seconds starting at 13h:44m:00s (GPS time). On the other hand, DORIS does not show a long gap in the same periods for day 141, and for day 117, there is a DORIS gap from 2 AM to 5 AM, but it is not the same gap duration as the GPS data. This clearly indicates that for day 117, GPS and DORIS can make up for each other's data gaps. Consequently, the combined data produced a better orbit solution than the solution from only one data type. This can be seen in the comparison of Figure 4.10 and 5.6. For day 117 and 141, it is shown that the orbit differences between GPS/SLR/DORIS and SLR/DORIS in Figure 5.6 were significantly reduced compared to the orbit differences between GPS-only and SLR/DORIS in Figure 4.10. Figure 5.6 also shows that the orbits of days 134 and 183 with orbit maneuvers are not improved even by combining measurement systems. These two days were excluded for the orbit assessment.

To find an optimal subarc length for the estimation of the empirical force parameters, the cases described in Table 4.12 had been tested for cycle 8 to cycle 20. The comparison results of orbit solutions from the experimental cases are shown in Table 5.1. The crossover Mean, crossover RMS and the SLR residual RMS were compared. Among them, the crossover RMS was a critical factor in determining the optimal parameterization.

The averaged crossover RMSs of **Case sub1.5-3** and **sub1.5-4.5** over the cycles appear to be the best among the test cases at $5.87(\pm 0.22)$ cm and

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each subarc length strategy							
	sub1-2	sub1-3	sub1-4	sub1.5-3	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	sub2-4	sub3-5
8	2.5	3.0	3.4	3.1	2.9	2.7	4.2	4.1
9	2.1	3.3	2.5	2.9	2.5	2.1	2.0	4.6
10	-1.1	-1.1	-2.0	-1.5	-1.2	-1.5	-2.0	-6
11	-11.7	-11.4	-10.7	-11.2	-9.5	-9.9	-10.8	-8.5
12	-12.7	-12.7	-11.6	-11.4	-10.9	-10.9	-11.4	-9.4
13	-1.1	-6	1.1	.2	-2.3	-1.0	-3.4	.8
14	-6.1	-5.7	-4.9	-5.7	-4.8	-4.9	-6.7	-8.6
15	-6.0	-5.9	-5.4	-5.7	-6.2	-6.1	-5.6	-7.5
16	-8.8	-8.4	-9.7	-8.0	-7.9	-8.2	-9.6	-8.8
17	3.7	3.5	2.9	3.8	5.9	4.6	2.6	6.4
18	-4.4	-4.7	-5.1	-4.3	-3.8	-3.8	-4.9	-4.5
19	11.4	11.2	11.1	11.4	12.5	12.1	10.2	11.8
20	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.0	6.8	5.6	6.9	7.8
Mean	-1.8	-1.8	-1.7	-1.6	-1.2	-1.5	-2.2	-1.0
rms	7.2	7.1	7.0	6.9	7.0	6.7	6.9	7.4

(a) Crossover Mean

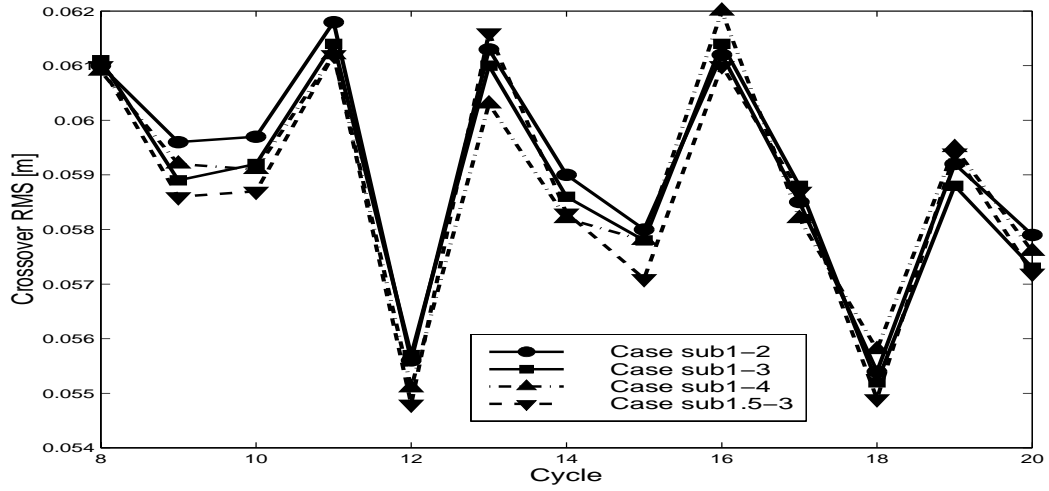
Cyc	Crossover RMS for each subarc length strategy							
	sub1-2	sub1-3	sub1-4	sub1.5-3	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	sub2-4	sub3-5
8	61.0	61.1	60.9	61.0	61.3	61.3	61.1	62.0
9	59.6	58.9	59.2	58.6	58.5	58.5	58.8	59.1
10	59.7	59.2	59.1	58.7	59.4	59.3	59.1	59.4
11	61.8	61.4	61.2	61.2	61.2	61.3	61.1	61.9
12	55.6	55.7	55.1	54.8	54.6	54.8	54.8	54.9
13	61.3	61.0	60.3	61.6	61.2	61.0	62.8	60.2
14	59.0	58.6	58.2	58.3	58.0	58.1	58.1	58.6
15	58.0	57.8	57.8	57.1	57.0	57.1	57.5	57.4
16	61.2	61.4	62.0	61.0	61.8	62.0	61.9	61.7
17	58.5	58.8	58.2	58.7	59.5	59.2	58.0	59.2
18	55.4	55.2	55.8	54.9	55.0	55.1	55.9	56.1
19	59.2	58.8	59.5	59.4	59.0	59.2	59.2	60.6
20	57.9	57.3	57.6	57.2	56.9	57.3	57.2	57.2
Mean	59.1	58.9	58.8	58.7	58.7	58.8	58.9	59.1
rms	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2

(b) Crossover RMS

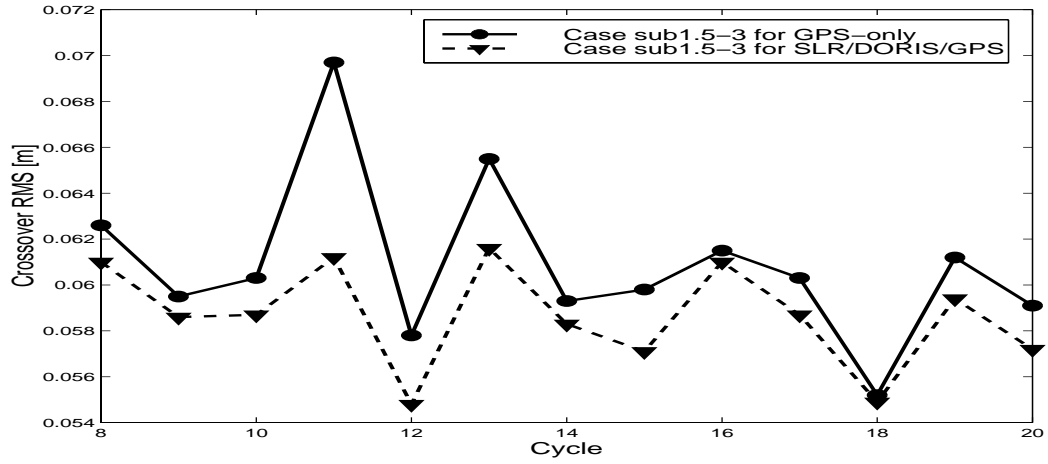
Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg) for each subarc length strategy							
	sub1-2	sub1-3	sub1-4	sub1.5-3	sub1.5-4.5	sub1.5-10	sub2-4	sub3-5
8	7.1	8.3	8.5	8.9	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.6
9	10.4	10.9	9.8	10.4	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.8
10	10.1	10.4	9.4	10.5	10.5	10.7	10.3	11.1
11	8.6	9.1	9.2	9.4	9.8	9.6	8.6	8.4
12	7.1	6.7	6.9	6.4	6.8	6.7	7.4	6.4
13	7.0	7.0	8.3	8.4	8.0	8.5	9.3	*
14	9.0	9.7	11.0	10.9	10.5	10.4	10.5	12.2
15	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	10.3	9.3
16	6.8	7.4	9.7	7.1	9.6	9.5	10.2	9.4
17	7.6	7.8	7.6	8.5	10.3	10.3	7.6	7.8
18	7.0	7.6	6.6	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.2	8.0
19	12.9	12.2	12.6	11.8	12.8	12.5	11.9	8.8
20	13.4	11.7	13.3	12.7	13.2	11.6	13.3	9.1
Mean	9.0	9.1	9.4	9.4	9.9	9.7	9.7	*
rms	2.2	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.8	*

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 5.1: Optimal Sub-arc Length Strategy. 3-hour subarc for CT and 6-hour subarc for 1-cpr T & N was chosen, however orbits are insensitive to the subarc lengths.



(a) Comparison with several Cases of subarcs



(b) Comparison of GPS-only and GPS/DORIS/SLR with the same subarc strategy

Figure 5.7: Crossover RMS with different subarc lengths, and comparisons for GPS-only and SLR/DORIS/GPS; Orbits with 3-hour subarc for CT (**Case sub1.5-3**) are a little bit better than the orbits with 1.8738-hour subarc for CT (**Case sub1-series**) (top). Orbits with combined data show clear improvement over GPS-only orbits for all cycles (bottom).

5.87(± 0.24) cm. The comparison of the crossover RMSs for each cycle shown in Figure 5.7(a) also indicates that the orbits from **Case sub1.5-3**, which is the strategy with 3-hour subarc length for CT and 6-hour subarc length for 1-cpr T & N, perform better than orbits from other cases with heavier parameterization for most of cycles. The crossover RMSs of either heavier parameterizations or lighter parameterizations increased, implying that **Case sub1.5-3** may be an optimal parameterization to estimate the empirical force parameters.

Compared to the crossover RMS of **Case sub1.5-3** from GPS-only tracking (6.09 cm), the orbit from the combined data with SLR/DORIS and GPS with the same estimation strategy for the empirical parameters was significantly improved to 5.91 cm of the crossover RMS. In terms of the radial orbit error, this means the reduction of 1.5 cm over the cycles. Figure 5.7(b) shows that the crossover RMSs were improved over all cycles by combining SLR/DORIS with GPS.

By combining SLR/DORIS with GPS, there is another advantage as well as its contribution to make the heavier parameterization possible. Each measurement system can fill each other system's unexpected data gaps. The orbit of cycle 11 is one of the most benefited orbits from the combined data, because of the improvement by making up of the GPS tracking gap with DORIS tracking data during day 117 as previously stated in Section 5.1.

The crossover Means, which are indicators of the orbit centering, are in the range of $-1 \sim -2$ mm for all of the cases. Their standard deviation (~ 7

mm in Table 5.1(a)) from cycle to cycle is much smaller than the standard deviation (~ 10 mm) of cycles from the GPS-only orbits in Table 4.13, which indicates that the orbits with combined data type are more stable in the sense of the orbit centering with the help of SLR tracking.

Table 5.1(c) shows that the SLR residual RMSs for all of the cases are less than 1 cm. Note that the SLR residual RMSs from GPS-only tracking were 1.2~1.9 cm for all the cases in Table 4.15, even when the orbits of days 117, 134 and 141 with the tracking weakness or orbit maneuvers were included. This is a very promising result to reach the goal for the 1-cm radial orbit RMS error, since the SLR residual RMS is one of the good independent measures for the orbit accuracy. However, the SLR residual RMSs less than 1 cm in the Table 5.1(c) are likely optimistic measures of the orbit accuracy, because the SLR data are not independent in the fits from the combined data.

5.3.2 Optimal Relative Weightings

To find an optimal relative weighting for each measurement type, first, the relative weighting of GPS was sought while the a priori sigmas for weightings of SLR and DORIS were fixed to 10 cm and 2 mm/s respectively, which were the a priori sigmas for CSR's SLR/DORIS solutions [J. Ries, personal communication, 2002]. Since the actual post-fits of the SLR/DORIS orbits were about 2 cm for SLR and 0.5 mm/sec for DORIS, both a priori sigmas for SLR and DORIS are about 4-5 times larger than the post-fit residual RMS of each measurement so that each relative weighting can be balanced for each

measurement type. The higher a priori sigmas than the post-fit residual RMSs is intended to reflect the systematic errors. It is safe not to weight data at its noise level or at the fit level, because it may lead to an optimistic covariance. Once an optimal relative weight of GPS was found, the optimal relative weighting for DORIS was also re-examined with the weightings of SLR and GPS fixed.

Table 5.2 shows each test case with the different a priori sigmas for relative weighting of each measurement type. To find an optimal weighting for GPS, a priori sigmas between 3 cm and 50 cm were applied for GPS, while a priori sigmas for SLR and DORIS were fixed to 10 cm and 2 mm/s respectively as shown in Table 5.2(a). The optimal relative weight for GPS is determined based on the crossover test and the SLR residual test with solutions from each case.

Figure 5.8 and Table 5.3 show the comparison of the crossover test and the SLR residual test for the cases of the relative weighting for GPS. In Table 5.3(a), the averaged crossover Means over the cycles are between 0 and -2 mm for all of the cases, which means that orbits from all combined data types are well centered especially due to the contribution of SLR, although they show a scatter of about 8 or 7 mm. The crossover Means of cycle 11, 12 and 19 are persistently larger than 1 cm in amplitude regardless of GPS weightings, which may indicate that the accuracy of the altimeter data for those cycles is bad.

Table 5.3(a) also shows that downweighting GPS by increasing the

Case	A priori sigmas for each measurement
Case Gw03	3 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS
Case Gw10	10 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS
Case Gw20	20 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS
Case Gw25	25 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS
Case Gw30	30 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS
Case Gw35	35 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS
Case Gw50	50 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2mm/s for DORIS

(a) Cases for Orbit Solution with different GPS weightings

Case	A priori sigmas for each measurement
Case Dw01	1 mm/s for DORIS, 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS
Case Dw02	2 mm/s for DORIS, 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS
Case Dw03	3 mm/s for DORIS, 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS
Case Dw04	4 mm/s for DORIS, 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS
Case Dw05	5 mm/s for DORIS, 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS
Case Dw10	10 mm/s for DORIS, 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS

(b) Cases for Orbit Solution with different DORIS weightings

Table 5.2: Cases for GPS weightings and DORIS weightings

a priori sigmas from 3 cm to 50 cm interestingly increased the magnitude of crossover Means of orbits with combined data. The degradation of the orbit centering in the GPS-downweighted orbits with combined data might be interpreted as the increased influence of DORIS over SLR or GPS in the combined measurement which can have a negative effect on the orbit centering. Table 5.4(a) shows that the increase of DORIS weighting relative to GPS and SLR actually degrades the orbit centering, indicating that combined orbits with SLR and GPS performs better than the combined orbits with all three measurement types.

The averaged values of the crossover RMSs over cycles 8 to 20 in Figure 5.8(a) and Table 5.3(b) show that all of the crossover RMSs of orbits from **Case Gw15**, **Case Gw20**, **Case Gw25**, **Case Gw30** or **Case Gw35** appear very good, ranging between 5.86 cm and 5.88 cm. The crossover RMSs of either **Case Gw03** or **Case Gw50** are larger than 5.90 cm. This implies that the a priori sigma for the optimal relative weighting of GPS resides somewhere between 15 cm and 35 cm. However, the results are fairly insensitive over the range of weights, with any particular choice not always being the best over all of the cycles. In Figure 5.8(a), the crossover RMS of orbits from **Case Gw25** appears to be near the saddle point, indicating that the a priori sigma of 25 cm for GPS weighting provides the best orbit among the orbits with all three measurement types combined.

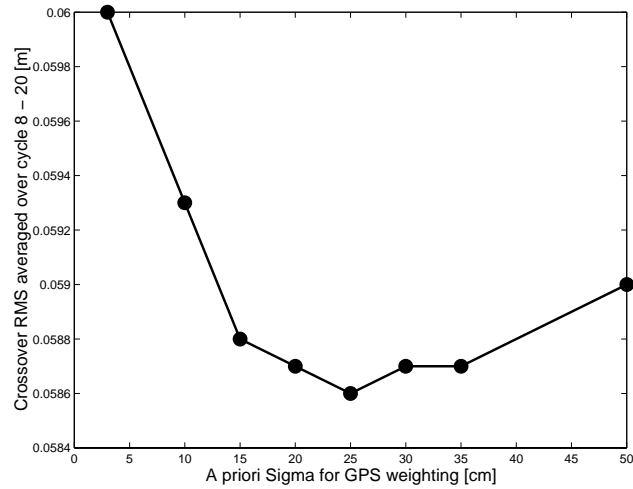
The SLR residual RMSs in Table 5.3(c) range from 0.9 to 1.3 cm. The decrease in the SLR residual RMS with the decrease of weighting for GPS

observed in Table 5.3(c) can be explained by considering that the downweight of GPS has the same effect to the upweight of SLR, and that the SLR residual RMS of the orbit always decreases as the weight of SLR to a orbit solution increases. Although the SLR residual RMS is an indicator of orbit accuracy, it reflects the orbit accuracy less and less as the weight of SLR increases.

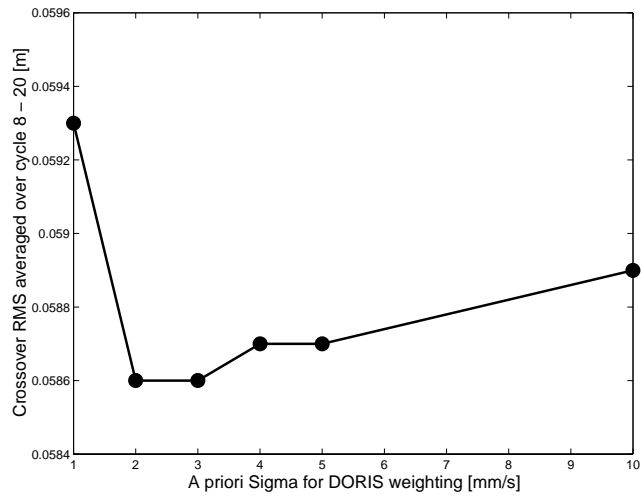
Finally, with an optimal relative weight for GPS fixed at 25 cm, the contribution of DORIS was also re-examined. The combined data of both SLR and GPS without DORIS are expected to be more than adequate for Jason-1 POD, because of the dense and continuous tracking of GPS. Thus, the concern about DORIS is not only to find an optimal DORIS weighting, but also to find if inclusion of the DORIS data will improve the orbit accuracy. To find optimal weighting for DORIS, a priori sigmas for DORIS ranging from 1 mm/s to 10 mm/s are applied to each DORIS station, while a priori sigmas for SLR and GPS are fixed to 10 cm and 25 cm respectively as shown in Table 5.2(b).

In Figure 5.8(b) and Table 5.4, the results of the crossover test and SLR residual test from each case of DORIS weight are compared. When the crossover RMSs are compared cycle by cycle in Figure 5.8(b) and Table 5.4(b), there is no clear evidence that orbits of any one case of a certain DORIS weight outperform orbits of other cases throughout all cycles. However, the crossover RMS averaged over cycles 8 to 20, as shown in Figure 5.8(b), appears to favor 2 or 3 mm/s for the DORIS weight.

In terms of orbit centering, judged by Table 5.4(a), the orbits from **Case Dw10** with 10 mm/s of a priori sigma for DORIS are better centered



(a) Optimal Weighting for GPS (relative to 10 cm for SLR and 2 mm/s for DORIS)



(b) Optimal Weighting for DORIS (relative to 10 cm for SLR and 25 cm for GPS)

Figure 5.8: Crossover RMS as a function of weight of (a) GPS and (b) DORIS. For GPS, a priori sigma of 25 cm appears to be optimal. However, the Crossover RMSs are insensitive to a range of GPS weights between 15 and 35 cm. For DORIS, a priori sigmas of 2 - 3 mm/s appear to be optimal.

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each relative weighting strategy							
	Gw03	Gw10	Gw15	Gw20	Gw25	Gw30	Gw35	Gw50
8	1.3	1.8	2.4	3.1	3.7	4.3	4.9	6.3
9	5.3	4.2	3.5	2.9	2.5	2.2	1.9	1.5
10	6.9	2.8	3	-1.5	-2.8	-3.7	-4.4	-5.8
11	-9.3	-9.9	-10.6	-11.2	-11.8	-12.4	-12.9	-14.0
12	-13.1	-11.9	-11.5	-11.4	-11.3	-11.4	-11.4	-11.4
13	2.3	3.1	1.2	2	-.9	-1.6	-2.1	-3.5
14	-2.7	-4.3	-5.2	-5.7	-6.0	-6.2	-6.3	-6.4
15	-5.8	-5.5	-5.6	-5.7	-6.0	-6.1	-6.3	-6.5
16	-11.2	-9.5	-8.6	-8.0	-7.5	-7.2	-6.9	-6.2
17	4.9	4.7	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.2
18	.0	-1.9	-3.3	-4.3	-5.0	-5.4	-5.7	-6.0
19	12.0	11.5	11.3	11.4	11.7	12.0	12.3	12.9
20	9.3	7.6	6.6	6.0	5.6	5.4	5.4	5.5
Mean	0.0	-0.6	-1.2	-1.6	-1.9	-2.0	-2.1	-2.3
rms	8.0	7.2	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.3	7.7

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each relative weighting strategy							
	Gw03	Gw10	Gw15	Gw20	Gw25	Gw30	Gw35	Gw50
8	62.2	61.4	61.1	61.0	61.0	61.1	61.3	61.7
9	60.4	59.3	58.8	58.6	58.5	58.5	58.4	58.5
10	60.8	59.5	59.0	58.7	58.6	58.7	58.7	58.9
11	61.1	61.0	61.1	61.2	61.4	61.6	61.7	62.1
12	56.3	55.3	54.9	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.9	55.1
13	65.8	65.3	62.3	61.6	61.0	60.9	61.2	61.0
14	58.9	58.4	58.3	58.3	58.3	58.4	58.5	58.8
15	59.5	58.2	57.5	57.1	56.9	56.9	56.9	57.2
16	61.6	61.1	61.0	61.0	61.1	61.2	61.4	61.9
17	59.8	59.3	58.9	58.7	58.5	58.4	58.4	58.5
18	55.1	54.8	54.8	54.9	54.9	55.0	55.1	55.4
19	60.0	59.5	59.3	59.4	59.5	59.7	59.8	60.3
20	58.1	57.5	57.3	57.2	57.3	57.3	57.4	57.7
Mean	60.0	59.3	58.8	58.7	58.6	58.7	58.7	59.0
rms	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg) for each relative weighting strategy							
	Gw03	Gw10	Gw15	Gw20	Gw25	Gw30	Gw35	Gw50
8	12.1	10.5	9.5	8.9	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.6
9	13.3	11.6	10.8	10.4	10.1	10.0	9.8	9.6
10	13.4	11.6	10.8	10.5	10.4	10.3	10.3	10.2
11	10.5	10.1	9.7	9.4	9.1	8.9	8.7	8.4
12	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.6
13	18.0	15.8	11.2	8.4	7.7	7.4	7.3	7.5
14	11.4	11.1	10.9	10.9	11.0	11.0	11.1	11.2
15	14.5	12.4	10.9	9.7	8.9	8.4	8.0	7.3
16	9.4	7.7	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.6
17	11.3	9.9	9.1	8.5	8.2	7.9	7.8	7.6
18	9.3	7.9	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4
19	18.1	15.1	13.2	11.8	10.7	10.0	9.4	8.5
20	14.9	13.8	13.1	12.7	12.4	12.2	12.1	11.9
Mean	12.5	11.1	10.0	9.4	9.1	8.9	8.8	8.6
rms	3.3	2.8	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 5.3: Optimal Weightings for GPS

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each relative weighting strategy					
	Dw01	Dw02	Dw03	Dw04	Dw05	Dw10
8	7.1	3.7	2.4	1.7	1.4	1.0
9	1.6	2.5	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.3
10	-6.5	-2.8	-1.0	-1	3	1.0
11	-17.6	-11.8	-9.1	-7.8	-7.0	-5.8
12	-13.6	-11.3	-10.1	-9.5	-9.2	-8.6
13	-2.3	-.9	-.5	-.4	-.8	.0
14	-7.8	-6.0	-5.3	-5.0	-4.9	-4.7
15	-7.0	-6.0	-5.2	-4.8	-4.6	-4.1
16	-7.4	-7.5	-7.4	-7.2	-7.2	-7.1
17	3.6	3.7	4.1	4.4	4.7	5.1
18	-6.2	-5.0	-4.3	-4.0	-3.7	-3.1
19	14.8	11.7	10.1	9.3	8.8	8.1
20	8.0	5.6	4.5	4.0	3.7	3.2
Mean	-2.6	-1.9	-1.5	-1.3	-1.2	-0.9
rms	9.2	7.0	6.1	5.6	5.4	5.1

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each relative weighting strategy					
	Dw01	Dw02	Dw03	Dw04	Dw05	Dw10
8	61.5	61.0	61.0	61.1	61.1	61.2
9	58.5	58.5	58.6	58.7	58.8	58.9
10	58.6	58.6	59.0	59.1	59.3	59.5
11	63.1	61.4	61.0	60.8	60.7	60.7
12	55.8	54.8	54.5	54.4	54.3	54.3
13	61.1	61.0	62.0	62.7	62.8	63.6
14	59.0	58.3	58.3	58.3	58.3	58.3
15	57.5	56.9	57.0	57.1	57.1	57.2
16	62.1	61.1	60.9	60.8	60.8	60.8
17	58.3	58.5	58.9	59.2	59.3	59.6
18	55.7	54.9	55.1	55.2	55.3	55.5
19	61.2	59.5	59.0	58.7	58.7	58.6
20	58.2	57.3	57.0	57.0	57.0	57.0
Mean	59.3	58.6	58.6	58.7	58.7	58.9
rms	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg) for each strategy					
	Dw01	Dw02	Dw03	Dw04	Dw05	Dw10
8	8.3	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.9
9	11.0	10.1	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.7
10	10.9	10.4	10.3	10.3	10.3	10.3
11	10.8	9.1	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.4
12	7.8	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2
13	9.3	7.7	8.5	9.1	9.2	20.6
14	12.1	11.0	10.6	10.5	10.4	10.3
15	8.7	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.4
16	9.0	7.1	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.1
17	9.9	8.2	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.4
18	10.9	7.5	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.4
19	10.3	10.7	11.0	11.1	11.2	11.3
20	12.8	12.4	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3
Mean	10.1	9.1	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.8
rms	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	3.8

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 5.4: Optimal Weightings for DORIS

than orbits from other cases with a priori sigmas ranging 1 mm/s to 5 mm/s. For example, the crossover Mean from **Case Dw01** with a priori sigma of 1 mm/s for DORIS is -3 mm with a scatter of 9 mm. When the DORIS data is downweighted by a factor of 10, the crossover Mean is reduced to -1 mm with a scatter of 5 mm, which strongly indicates that downweighting DORIS with respect to SLR and GPS may help the orbit centering.

Especially, for the cycles having shown large crossover Means, such as cycle 11, 12 and 19, the reduction of the magnitudes of the crossover Means resulted from downweighting DORIS is significant from -1.8 cm to -0.6 cm for cycle 11, from 1.4 cm to -0.9 cm for cycle 12, and from 1.5 cm to 0.8 cm for cycle 19. This implies that DORIS might degrade the orbit quality, when it is combined with SLR and DORIS tracking. The issue of the contribution of DORIS for the orbits with combined data will be discussed further in the next section, where the contribution of each measurement to the orbit quality will be investigated.

However, when GPS tracking is not adequate, DORIS tracking still plays an important role. In Table 5.4(c), overall SLR residual RMS is less than 1.3 cm over the cycles except for the cycle 13 in **Case Dw10**, where the SLR residual RMS is 2.1 cm. The crossover and SLR residual tests for cycle 13 in Table 5.4 included day 141, which is the day suffering from weak GPS tracking. Because of the weakness of GPS tracking, the orbit accuracy of **Case Dw10** for cycle 13 could easily be degraded, if the DORIS tracking is not given sufficient weight.

In summary, the a priori sigmas for an optimal relative weighting for each measurement type are 25 cm for GPS, 10 cm for SLR and 2 mm/s for DORIS. The results were not particularly sensitive over the range of 15 to 35 cm for the GPS weighting. For DORIS, the results were sharply degraded as the a priori sigma for DORIS was reduced to 1 mm/s. Also, it appears that upweighting DORIS, by applying smaller a priori sigmas, degrades the orbit accuracy at least in terms of the orbit centering, which implies that orbits from a combination of SLR and GPS with the exclusion of DORIS may perform better than orbits from a combination of all three measurement types. In the next section, the contribution of each measurement type will be examined and the best measurement combination will be determined.

5.4 Contribution of Each Measurement System to Orbit

To study the contribution of each measurement system to the orbit quality, as shown in Table 5.5, several cases with each different measurement combination were processed. The optimal subarc lengths for the estimation of the empirical parameters can be different from each combination of measurement types. For **Case DS**, the subarc lengths to estimate CT and 1-cpr T & N are 0.34492 day and 0.6898 day, respectively (**Case sub-24** in Table 4.12). For GPS-only orbits of **Case G**, the subarc lengths to estimate CT and 1-cpr T & N were 3 hour and 9 hour (**Case sub1.5-4.5**). For other combined orbits of other cases, 3-hour subarc for the estimation of CT and 6-hour subarc for estimation of 1-cpr T & N (**Case sub1.5-3**) were used. For the weight

of each measurement, 10-cm a priori sigma for SLR, 25-cm a priori sigma for GPS and 2-mm/s a priori sigma for DORIS were used. For each case, the same measurement model for each measurement type and the same dynamic models were employed.

Case	Combined System	Estimation Strategy
Case DS	DORIS+SLR	with Case sub-24
Case G	GPS-only	with Case sub1.5-4.5
Case GD	GPS+DORIS	with Case sub1.5-3 & Case Gw25
Case GS	GPS+SLR	with Case sub1.5-3 & Case Gw25
Case GDS	GPS+SLR+DORIS	with Case sub1.5-3 & Case Gw25

Table 5.5: Cases for Orbit Solution with Different Data Combination

In Table 5.6, the crossover tests and SLR residual tests are compared for the orbits with each different combination of measurement types. In Table 5.6(a), the inertial centering offsets of orbits from **Case G** and **Case GS** are 0.6 mm and -0.7 mm, respectively. The orbits of **Case GS** are expected to be well-centered by the contribution of SLR, but the GPS-only orbits also appear to be well-centered, when terms longer than several cycles are considered. While the offset of orbits from **Case G** is highly dispersed cycle by cycle with a 9-mm rms, the offset of orbits from **Case GS** appears to be stable for each cycle with a 5-mm rms. Especially, the orbit centering of cycles 11, 12, 16, 19 and 20 show significant improvement by combining SLR with GPS.

However, addition of DORIS to GPS increased the orbit centering offset from 0.6 mm of **Case G** to -1.6 mm of **Case GD**. The scatter of the offset of each cycle also increased by adding DORIS to GPS, which implies that

the contribution of DORIS to GPS is not as significant as the contribution of SLR to GPS. On the contrary, adding DORIS to GPS appears to degrade the centering of orbit. Regardless of the possibility of orbit centering degradation by adding DORIS to GPS, the comparison of the crossover RMSs from **Case G** (5.97 cm) and **Case GD** (5.93 cm) in Table 5.6(b) implies that there might be a marginal contribution to the orbit accuracy when DORIS is combined with GPS. The SLR residual RMSs of **Case G** and **Case GD** in Table 5.6(c) also show the contribution of DORIS to GPS from 1.24 cm to 1.16 cm.

The contribution of SLR to GPS for orbit accuracy, on the other hand, is more significant than the contribution of DORIS to GPS. Table 5.6(b) shows that the crossover RMS of **Case GS** is 5.87 cm, compared to 5.93 cm from **Case GD**. The SLR residual RMSs in Table 5.6(c) also show that SLR contributes to GPS for orbit accuracy more than DORIS from 1.16 cm to 0.87 cm.

Although the significant contribution of SLR to GPS is clearly shown in both the crossover test and the SLR residual test, the contribution of DORIS to GPS is uncertain except particular incidents of big loss of GPS tracking data, which occurred on Day 141 of cycle 13. To find whether DORIS combined with SLR/GPS improves the orbit accuracy or degrades it, the orbits from **Case GS** and **Case GDS** can be compared in Table 5.6. The comparison showed that the addition of DORIS degraded orbit centering from -0.7 mm to -1.9 mm and the scatter of the crossover Means from each cycle also increased.

The degradation of orbit centering with the increase of DORIS's weight-

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each Data Combination				
	Case DS [†]	Case G	Case GD	Case GS	Case GDS
8	4.5	2.1	6.1	.9	3.7
9	2.2	5.5	3.8	3.4	2.5
10	-5.4	6.6	-.8	1.3	-2.8
11	-10.6	-7.5	-17.2	-4.8	-11.8
12	-9.1	-13.5	-15.9	-8.4	-11.3
13	-2.6	3.2	.4	.4	-1.0
14	-6.9	-1.1	-5.6	-4.6	-6.0
15	-3.9	-6.5	-6.9	-3.8	-6.0
16	-3.8	-12.0	-10.0	-7.0	-7.5
17	4.2	5.6	2.7	5.2	3.7
18	-5.0	-.7	-3.2	-2.8	-5.0
19	8.2	12.8	15.3	7.9	11.7
20	7.9	13.0	11.0	3.1	5.6
Mean	-1.6	0.6	-1.6	-0.7	-1.9
rms	6.3	8.5	9.7	4.9	7.0

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each Data Combination				
	Case DS [†]	Case G	Case GD	Case GS	Case GDS
8	62.5	61.8	61.6	61.2	61.0
9	59.7	59.3	59.2	58.9	58.5
10	62.5	61.3	58.8	59.6	58.6
11	63.1	60.9	62.8	60.5	61.4
12	56.5	55.7	56.4	54.3	54.8
13	62.4	62.1	60.9	60.9	60.0
14	59.8	58.4	58.6	58.4	58.3
15	58.0	60.1	58.0	57.2	56.9
16	62.0	62.9	61.6	60.8	61.1
17	60.4	59.6	58.6	59.7	58.5
18	59.2	55.6	54.8	55.6	54.9
19	61.8	59.6	60.8	58.6	59.5
20	57.0	58.2	58.3	57.0	57.3
Mean	60.4	59.7	59.3	58.7	58.5
rms	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.1

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg) for each Data Combination				
	Case DS [†]	Case G	Case GD	Case GS	Case GDS
8	10.5	11.9	10.6	8.9	8.5
9	11.9	13.0	12.9	9.7	10.1
10	10.5	13.1	12.3	10.3	10.4
11	8.1	13.5	11.8	8.3	9.1
12	7.1	7.8	8.2	6.2	6.4
13	10.2	8.9	10.0	6.9	7.2
14	12.6	10.1	11.8	10.3	11.0
15	9.1	15.3	11.7	9.4	8.9
16	7.3	13.2	9.7	6.0	7.1
17	7.8	11.4	12.1	7.4	8.2
18	8.7	9.0	10.8	6.4	7.5
19	8.2	17.5	15.0	11.4	10.7
20	10.6	16.3	14.4	12.3	12.4
Mean	9.4	12.4	11.6	8.7	9.0
rms	1.8	2.9	1.9	2.1	1.8

[†] For **Case DS**, each full cycle is used for the statistics

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 5.6: Orbit Improvement with Data Combination. (a) Orbit centering of **Case GS** (GPS+SLR) is best. SLR residual RMSs of less than 1.2 cm are promissing.

Cyc	X bias (Case GS VS.)			
	Case DS	Case G	Case GD	Case GDS
8	-9.8	.6	-4.3	-3.4
9	-6.5	1.6	.1	-1.8
10	-4.7	1.7	-1.0	-1.9
11	-6.3	.2	-3.3	-.4
12	-3.0	-1.5	-3.5	-3.1
13	.2	1.2	2.5	1.2
14	4.5	-2.3	-2.6	-.4
15	6.7	-3.1	-.8	1.0
16	5.2	-3.1	-.7	1.6
17	-.5	-1.6	-2.8	-1.5
18	-3.1	-1.2	-2.5	-2.1
19	-5.2	5.0	-.6	-2.9
20	-7.3	3.4	.5	5.0
Mean	-2.3	.1	-1.4	-.7
rms	5.2	2.5	1.9	2.4

(a) X bias

Cyc	Y bias for each Data Combination			
	Case DS	Case G	Case GD	Case GDS
8	-5.5	4.4	2.9	-.2
9	-3.0	7.4	2.1	.1
10	-2.8	4.9	2.6	1.6
11	-4.9	1.0	2.5	1.2
12	-5.4	.8	4.1	2.2
13	-11.1	-.5	3.4	1.8
14	1.0	-4.5	.9	2.5
15	1.0	-2.5	1.8	2.5
16	-1.1	-3.0	-1.0	.5
17	-7.6	-8.5	-3.7	.9
18	-5.5	-5.0	-1.5	.1
19	-7.7	-.6	-.8	.0
20	-12.7	-1.8	-1.9	-.6
Mean	-5.0	-.6	.9	1.0
rms	4.2	4.4	2.4	1.1

(b) Y bias

Cyc	Z bias for each Data Combination			
	Case DS	Case G	Case GD	Case GDS
8	-1.8	.7	-.7	-1.3
9	.5	.0	.2	-1.2
10	-.1	1.6	.1	-1.1
11	-7.4	1.6	.7	-2.8
12	-.7	2.8	2.0	1.1
13	3.7	-.5	-2.6	-1.2
14	-5.6	-2.4	.5	.7
15	6.7	2.5	6.1	3.1
16	2.0	-1.8	2.0	1.7
17	-.5	2.6	4.3	1.6
18	6.2	.8	3.9	2.5
19	-.2	5.7	4.4	1.6
20	-4.5	2.2	3.5	1.2
Mean	-.1	1.2	1.9	.4
rms	4.2	2.1	2.5	1.8

(c) Z bias

Table 5.7: Orbit Bias in a Body-fixed Frame with each Data Combination. Each case is compared to **Case GS** (GPS+SLR) assuming that this is probably the best centered solution.

ing in the combined orbits can be also seen in Table 5.4(a). In Table 5.4(a), the magnitudes of the crossover Means increased from -9 mm to -26 mm with the increase of the DORIS' weighting with a priori sigmas from 10 mm/s to 1 mm/s. In fact, DORIS appears to degrade the orbit centering not only in the orbits of **Case GDS**, but also in the orbits of **Case DS**. Table 5.3(a) shows that the magnitude of the crossover Means increased from 0 mm to -2 mm with the decrease of the relative weight of GPS in the orbits of **Case GDS** with all three measurement types, which indicates that GPS is a relatively well-centered system in the long term, unlike DORIS.

In Table 5.6, the comparison of the crossover RMSs and the SLR residual RMSs from **Case GS** and **Case GDS** does not show much difference.

In summary, except for the duration when GPS tracking is not adequate, DORIS appears to be redundant or degrade orbit centering when it is combined with GPS and SLR. For all of the cases with or without a combination of measurement types, the crossover Means range between 0 mm and -2 mm, the crossover RMSs range between 5.9 cm and 6.0 cm, and SLR residual RMSs range between 0.9 cm and 1.3 cm. The SLR residual RMSs from **Case G** and **Case GD** are 1.24 cm and 1.16 cm, respectively, which are quite promising results as an absolute independent measure because **Case G** (GPS-only) and **Case GD** (GPS+DORIS) do not include the SLR data for the POD process.

5.5 Gravity Model Comparison with Mixed Orbits

Orbits from a combination of any two systems will be called the ‘mixed orbits’. In this section, mixed orbits from each gravity model will be compared. The gravity models tested were 1) JGM-3, 2) EGM96, 3) TEG4 and 4) a preliminary GRACE gravity model (GGM01S) as shown in Table 5.8. All of the orbits in the table were processed with the combination of GPS and SLR systems.

The JGM-3 [Tapley *et al.*, 1996] gravity model contains information from 34 satellites, with a wide spectrum of different inclinations and altitudes. EGM96 [Lemoine *et al.*, 1998] is a geopotential model consisting of: (1) a combination solution to degree and order 70; (2) a block diagonal solution from degree 71 to 359; and (3) the quadrature solution at degree 360. As well as surface gravity data from many different regions of the globe, other data that contributed to EGM96 are direct satellite altimetry from T/P, ERS-1 and GEOSAT, and satellite tracking to over 20 satellites. The TEG4 (the latest in a series of Texas Earth Gravity (TEG) models) gravity model is complete to degree and order 180. The model includes new SLR and DORIS tracking data for 13 satellites, including Lageos I and II, Etalon I and II, Starlette, Stella, Ajisai, BEC, Geos-3, GFZ, SPOT-2, TOPEX and Westpac, and 20 cycles of GPS data for TOPEX, and SLR and PRARE data from ERS-2. Surface gravity anomaly data and satellite altimeter-derived marine geoid undulations were also included. The preliminary GRACE gravity model (GGM01S, 120×120) used in this study was recently developed at CSR based

on GRACE data of 111 days.

Case	Gravity Model
Case JGM3	JGM3
Case EGM96	EGM96 2000
Case TEG4	TEG4 2000
Case GGM01S	a preliminary Grace gravity solution

Table 5.8: Gravity Models

The sensitivity of the orbits to the geopotential depends on the altitude, inclination and eccentricity of the satellite. The satellites with higher altitude are more sensitive to the lower wave length parts of the gravity field. The inclinations of the satellites determine the global coverage of the gravity model.

Table 5.9 summarizes the results of the crossover test and the SLR residual test for the orbits from different gravity models. The averaged crossover RMS of the orbits from EGM96 shows a relatively larger value, $5.92 (\pm 0.22)$ cm, compared with orbits from other gravity models. The averaged crossover Mean of the orbits from TEG4, which is $-1.6 (\pm 4.3)$ mm, also appeared relatively larger than orbits from other gravity models. Thus, compared among EGM96, TEG4, and JGM3, JGM3 still appears to be a better choice from these three gravity models for Jason-1 POD.

Out of the four gravity models compared, orbits from the GRACE gravity model clearly outperform orbits from other gravity models in both aspects of the crossover test and the SLR residual test. Their averaged crossover RMS over the cycles is $5.83 (\pm 0.23)$ cm, which was reduced modestly from the aver-

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each Gravity Model			
	JGM3	EGM96	TEG4	GRACE
8	.9	3.9	1.8	2.3
9	3.4	2.8	2.9	3.3
10	1.3	3.4	.1	.9
11	-4.8	-3.2	-5.0	-4.3
12	-8.4	-8.9	-6.9	-6.5
13	.4	4.3	-1.5	1.0
14	-4.6	-4.0	-5.2	-5.5
15	-3.8	-3.5	-1.8	-2.4
16	-7.0	-6.0	-9.0	-5.9
17	5.2	8.2	2.8	7.3
18	-2.8	-2.2	-3.6	-2.3
19	7.9	7.2	5.7	7.4
20	3.1	3.0	-.8	2.0
Mean	-.7	.4	-1.6	-.2
rms	4.9	5.3	4.3	4.7

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each Gravity Model			
	JGM3	EGM96	TEG4	GRACE
8	61.2	62.1	61.4	60.9
9	58.9	59.3	58.9	58.4
10	59.6	59.9	58.8	59.0
11	60.5	60.7	61.2	60.6
12	54.3	55.4	53.8	54.0
13	60.9	62.5	61.1	61.0
14	58.4	58.9	58.3	57.9
15	57.2	58.1	57.3	57.0
16	60.8	61.5	61.5	60.8
17	59.7	59.9	58.9	58.9
18	55.6	55.9	56.3	55.5
19	58.6	58.8	57.9	57.6
20	57.0	56.9	56.5	55.9
Mean	58.7	59.2	58.6	58.3
rms	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg)			
	JGM3	EGM96	TEG4	GRACE
8	8.9	8.9	9.4	8.6
9	9.7	10.3	10.3	9.3
10	10.3	11.8	11.8	10.2
11	8.3	9.3	8.7	8.6
12	6.2	7.3	7.5	6.7
13	6.9	7.3	6.8	6.4
14	10.3	9.6	11.5	11.9
15	9.4	9.2	9.9	8.8
16	6.0	6.7	6.8	5.3
17	7.4	7.3	8.4	7.4
18	6.4	7.8	7.2	6.1
19	11.4	11.7	12.5	11.0
20	12.3	14.3	13.2	12.4
Mean	8.7	9.3	9.5	8.7
rms	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.3

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 5.9: Gravity Model Comparison

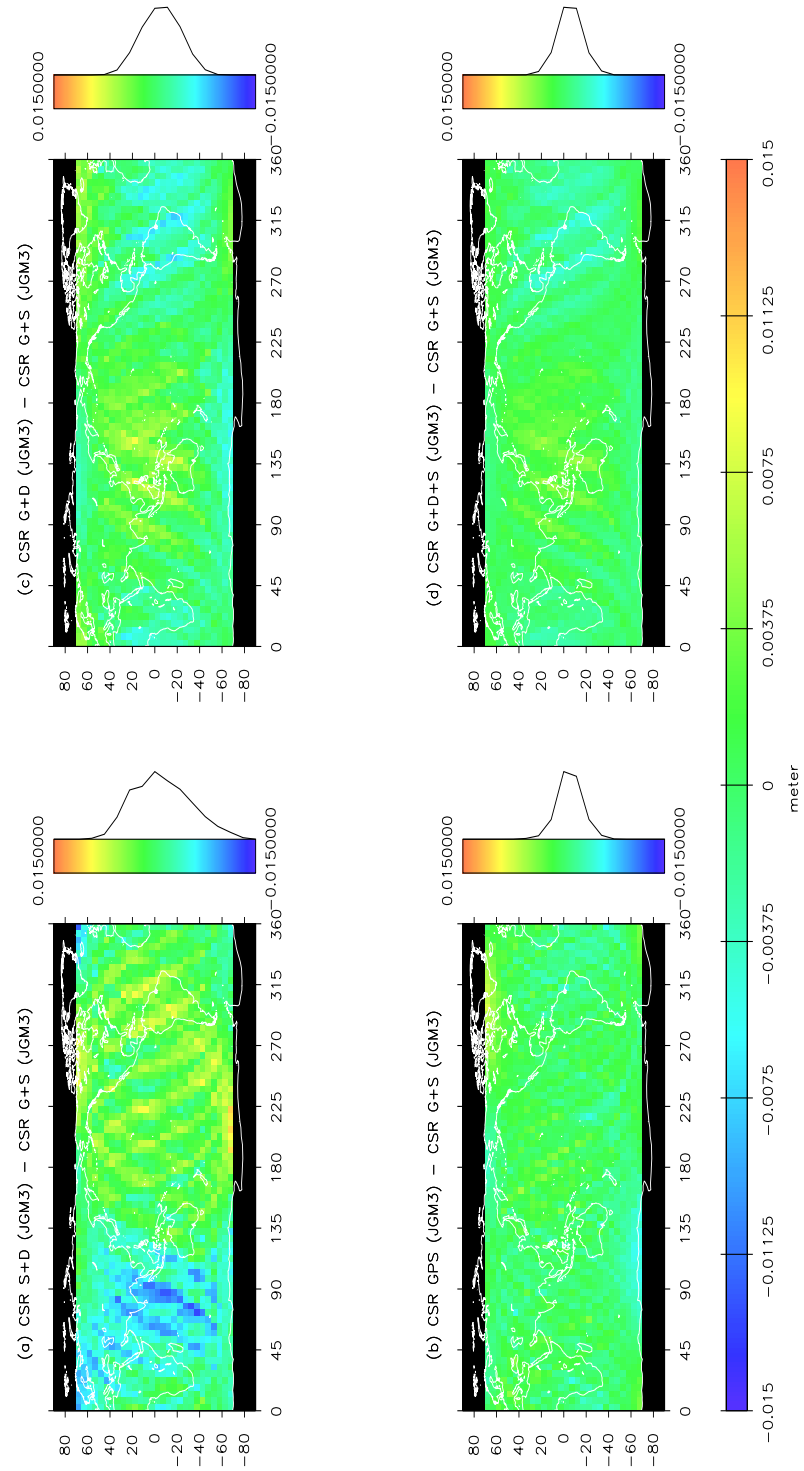


Figure 5.9: Geographically Correlated Orbit Errors in the Radial Component due to Difference of Tracking Data

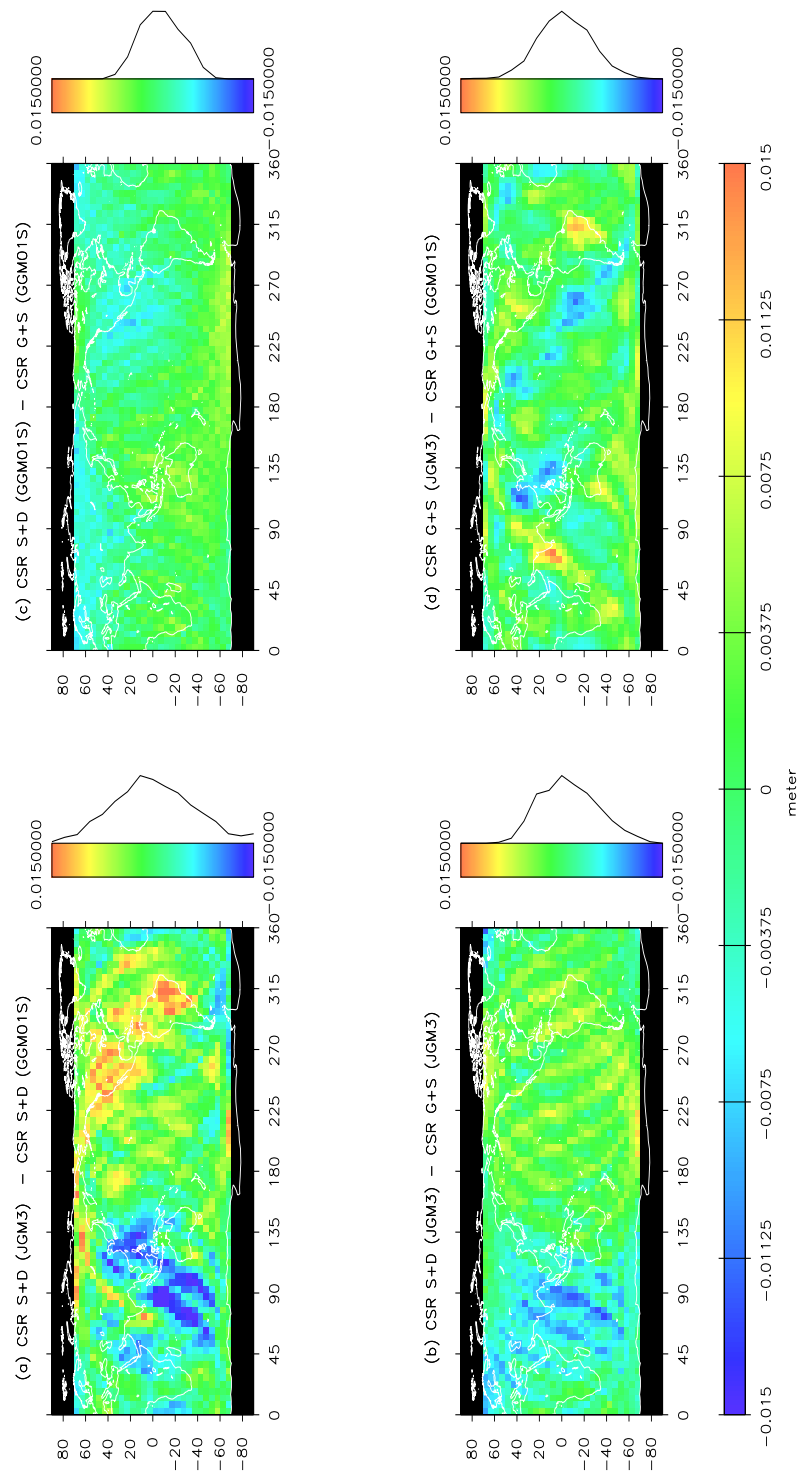


Figure 5.10: Geographically Correlated Orbit Errors in the Radial Component

aged crossover RMS of the orbits from JGM3 (5.87 cm). This is the reduction of 0.7 cm in the variance sense. Their averaged crossover Mean is $-0.2(\pm 4.7)$ mm, which is better than $-0.7(\pm 4.9)$ mm of the orbits from JGM3.

Figure 5.9 shows the Geographically Correlated Orbit Errors (GCE) in the radial component due to different tracking data combination. The mean values of the radial orbit differences were averaged from cycle 8 to cycle 20 using a bin size of 5 degrees by 5 degrees. The pattern in the difference between the CSR SLR+DORIS orbit (S+D) and the CSR GPS+SLR orbit (G+S) (see Figure 5.9(b)) can be ascribed to the geographically correlated orbit errors generated by the JGM3 gravity model used in both orbits. The dynamical SLR+DORIS orbit is subject to the GCE in JGM3 [Rosborough, 1986], whereas the heavy parameterization possible with the dense GPS tracking was able to remove a significant part of the correlated error. The radial differences among the orbits including GPS tracking data is much smaller (see Figure 5.9(b)-(d)).

The GCE between the CSR S+D orbits from the GGM01S model and from the JGM3 model, shown in Figure 5.10(a), indicates a pattern similar to the GCE between the CSR S+D orbit from JGM3 and the CSR G+S orbit from JGM3, as shown in Figure 5.10(b). This means that significant amount of the correlated orbit error left in the CSR S+D orbit from the JGM3 model is removed by using the GRACE gravity solution, GGM01S. When the GGM01S model is used for both orbit solutions, the correlated error between the CSR S+D orbit and the CSR G+S orbit is much smaller (see

Figure 5.10(c)). The GCE between the CSR G+S orbits from JGM3 model and from GGM01S model (see Figure 5.10(d)) shows the short wavelength part of geographically correlated error in JGM3. It appears that some of the small “hot spot” features are generated by the JGM3 gravity model, but even with the heavy parameterization used for the G+S orbit from JGM3 model, they could not be removed. However, these features were removed by using the GGM01S model for the G+S orbit. The GCE between the CSR S+D orbits from JGM3 model and from GGM01S model (Figure 5.10(a)) reflects both the short wavelength geographically correlated error in JGM3 along with additional long wavelength errors in JGM3.

5.6 External Orbit Comparison

Five groups such as CNES, DEOS, NASA/GSFC, and NASA/JPL including UT/CSR contributed to Jason-1 POD. Table 5.10 summarizes various orbits from each institute for comparison. Orbit **jpl** is a GPS-only orbit provided by JPL. Orbit **willis** provided by JPL/IGN is an orbit from the GPS data combined with the DORIS data. Both **jpl** and **willis** are based on the reduced dynamic approach implemented in GIPSY-OASIS II. CNES provided an SLR/DORIS orbit (**cnes1**) and two GPS-only orbits. Only one of CNES’s GPS-only orbits was included in this comparison as **cnes2**, since the other GPS-only orbit which employed a form of relaxed-dynamics approach (ELFE) appeared to be slightly worse than **cnes2**. DEOS also provided a SLR/DORIS orbit (**deos**) and a GPS-only orbit. Their GPS-only orbit, which was not in-

cluded in this comparison, is similar to **cnes2**.

Orbits processed in CSR with various combination of measurement systems were compared with the external orbits. In Table 5.10, **csr1** is an mixed orbit from GPS and SLR systems, which is the same orbit to the orbit solution from **Case GS** in Section 5.4. Orbit **csr2**, which is the mixed solution of **Case GDS**, was processed by combining all three measurement systems. Orbit **csr3**, which is the solution of **Case DS**, utilized the SLR and DORIS data. Note that, at the time of this comparison, only CSR provided orbits with combination of SLR and GPS, and orbits with all three measurement systems. The orbits from other measurement combinations also can be seen in Section 5.4.

For the comparison on the same condition, each external orbit was interpolated in the same cycle spans with the same interval to the CSR's orbit, which is 10 seconds. Then, the performance test for each external orbit of each cycle was assessed in the overlapped duration of the orbit span and crossover altimeter data span, which are given in Table 4.2 and Table 3.7. For the orbit comparison, day 134 and 183 were further excluded from the orbit spans in Table 4.2.

In Table 5.11(c), SLR/DORIS orbits from CNES and DEOS show large orbit centering offset with the crossover Means of 8 mm and 7 mm respectively, while the crossover Means of SLR/DORIS orbits from CSR and GSFC are below 1 mm. The crossover RMSs of SLR/DORIS orbits from CNES and DEOS are 6.15 cm and 6.22 cm, while the crossover RMSs of SLR/DORIS orbits from

Case	Combined System	Estimation approach
csr1(=GS)	GPS+SLR	dynamic
csr2(=GDS)	GPS+DORIS+SLR	dynamic
csr3(=DS)	SLR+DORIS	dynamic
jpl	GPS-only	reduced-dynamic
willis	GPS+DORIS	reduced-dynamic
nasa1	SLR+DORIS	dynamic
nasa2	GPS-only	reduced-dynamic
cnes1	SLR+DORIS	dynamic
cnes2	GPS-only	dynamic
deos	SLR+DORIS	dynamic

Table 5.10: CSR's and External Orbits

CSR and GSFC are 6.07 cm and 6.04 cm with smaller scatter. The SLR residual RMS of Orbit **csr3** is 0.94 cm, and of Orbit **nasa1** is 1.12 cm, while Orbit **cnes1**'s and Orbit **deos**'s are 1.24 and 1.23 cm. Both the altimeter crossover test and SLR residual test show: 1) CSR's and NASA's SLR/DORIS orbits are better than CNES's and DEOS's, 2) CSR's and NASA's SLR/DORIS orbits are very close in quality to each other.

With the dynamic approach, GPS-only orbits generally appear to perform worse than the SLR/DORIS orbits in terms of the crossover RMS, although they appear to provide better orbit centering. However, the reduced-dynamic approach from JPL shows significant improvement compared with GPS-only orbits from other groups, which employed the dynamic approach. All of the statistics of the crossover test and the SLR residual test of Orbit **jpl** are much better than those from SLR/DORIS orbits or other GPS-only orbits.

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each orbit									
	csr1	csr2	csr3	jpl	willis	nasal	nasa2	cnes1	cnes2	deos
8	.9	3.7	5.8	5.7	9.0	10.4	21.6	13.9	5.1	20.0
9	3.4	2.5	3.8	4.7	2.6	2.0	2.1	7.3	-7.2	13.0
10	1.3	2.8	-2.7	2.9	-1.0	-2.8	8.9	-3.2	-6.5	.2
11	-4.8	-11.8	-6.8	-2.5	-10.1	-11.2	-14.6	-7.8	-21.6	-8.7
12	-8.4	-11.3	-6.5	-11.7	-13.6	-12.6	-24.8	-6.9	-33.1	-7.1
13	.4	-1.0	2.0	5.5	-1.4	2.1	20.6	11.6	-2.3	-3.8
14	-4.6	-6.0	-7.3	-6.0	-11.5	-4.0	-18.5	6.3	-13.8	1.8
15	-3.8	-6.0	-1.7	-6.9	-11.3	2.8	-4.5	8.2	-5.2	4.0
16	-7.0	-7.5	-6.3	-10.2	-14.5	-4.0	-1.9	10.1	13.9	5.4
17	5.2	3.7	6.2	-4.5	-8.6	8.1	—	21.3	26.3	19.8
18	-2.8	-5.0	-2.9	-1.8	-6.1	-5.6	—	6.6	-8.2	4.9
19	7.9	11.7	14.9	9.1	10.3	15.6	—	22.8	17.5	23.2
20	3.1	5.6	11.3	6.9	2.5	6.8	—	14.1	5.5	18.7
Mean	-.7	-1.9	.8	-.7	-4.1	.6	-1.2	8.0	-2.3	7.0
rms	4.9	7.0	7.3	6.9	8.4	8.3	16.4	9.5	16.1	10.9

- Starting epoch of CNES orbits for cycle 18 is 7/3/2002 03:02:13 (GPS)

- Starting epoch of NASA GPS orbit for cycle 9 is 4/4/2002 17:5:13 (GPS)

- Final epoch of NASA GPS orbit for cycle 13 is 5/21/2002 3:55: 0 (GPS)

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each orbit									
	csr1	csr2	csr3	jpl	willis	nasal	nasa2	cnes1	cnes2	deos
8	61.2	61.0	62.7	60.8	60.8	62.7	65.4	64.6	65.9	68.7
9	58.9	58.5	59.9	57.8	57.7	60.0	58.2	60.6	62.8	61.7
10	59.6	58.6	62.1	59.1	59.0	60.7	60.2	66.3	59.9	61.5
11	60.5	61.4	62.5	60.3	61.8	62.6	63.5	61.4	65.8	64.1
12	54.3	54.8	56.1	56.6	57.2	57.8	61.8	56.5	67.0	56.2
13	60.9	60.0	62.5	60.9	60.9	61.9	59.4	63.4	61.7	64.0
14	58.4	58.3	59.8	57.8	59.2	58.3	63.5	59.7	60.5	60.3
15	57.2	56.9	58.0	57.8	58.4	57.5	58.0	58.0	57.8	58.9
16	60.8	61.1	62.0	62.0	63.0	61.2	62.6	62.9	62.8	62.6
17	59.7	58.5	60.9	57.8	57.9	61.0	—	63.8	66.1	64.1
18	55.6	54.9	59.4	55.2	56.7	57.7	—	56.8	57.0	58.6
19	58.6	59.5	61.2	58.0	58.6	62.0	—	63.4	61.4	64.7
20	57.0	57.3	61.6	59.3	57.6	61.4	—	61.5	59.9	65.0
Mean	58.7	58.5	60.7	58.7	59.1	60.4	61.4	61.5	62.2	62.3
rms	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.6	3.0	3.2	3.3

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg) for each orbit									
	csr1	csr2	csr3	jpl	willis	nasal	nasa2	cnes1	cnes2	deos
8	8.9	8.5	10.5	9.2	7.5	9.9	9.7	10.2	11.2	11.0
9	9.7	10.1	11.9	11.7	13.4	10.5	10.5	15.1	18.3	12.0
10	10.3	10.4	10.5	9.5	12.0	12.3	10.7	17.0	12.4	11.1
11	8.3	9.1	8.1	19.8	10.5	7.0	8.9	9.5	12.2	10.1
12	6.2	6.4	7.1	8.8	10.9	15.0	8.5	8.8	16.0	12.3
13	6.9	7.2	10.2	9.0	12.0	10.7	9.5	10.8	8.6	15.4
14	10.3	11.0	12.6	10.6	11.5	13.5	13.6	11.5	15.6	16.4
15	9.4	8.9	9.1	10.2	11.9	10.0	13.8	10.7	11.9	10.4
16	6.0	7.1	7.2	8.3	9.8	10.3	13.7	14.8	16.7	9.9
17	7.4	8.2	7.8	9.0	13.2	10.3	—	17.3	16.1	12.3
18	6.4	7.5	8.7	11.5	15.0	10.7	—	8.2	8.7	10.1
19	11.4	10.7	8.2	12.1	14.5	11.0	—	13.5	17.8	13.3
20	12.3	12.4	10.6	12.7	15.7	14.0	—	13.7	17.7	15.9
Mean	8.7	9.0	9.4	11.0	12.1	11.2	11.0	12.4	14.1	12.3
rms	2.1	1.8	1.8	3.0	2.3	2.1	2.1	3.0	3.4	2.3

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table 5.11: External Orbit Comparison: **csr1** (GPS+SLR) is the best centered orbit. **csr1**, **csr2** (GPS+SLR+DORIS) and **jpl** (GPS-only) are three best orbits in terms of the crossover RMS..

Cyc	X bias (Case GS VS.)									
	csr1	csr2	csr3	jpl	willis	nasal	nasa2	cnes1	cnes2	deos
8	.0	-3.4	-9.8	-8.0	-7.8	-8.3	-9.4	-6.6	-5.1	-10.5
9	.0	-1.8	-6.5	-4.6	-3.9	-6.2	-7.3	-1.4	-.6	-10.1
10	.0	-1.9	-4.7	-6.2	-4.0	-3.7	-5.3	-3.4	-3.6	-5.1
11	.0	-.4	-6.3	-4.7	-5.2	-7.3	-6.1	-9.2	-9.3	-4.5
12	.0	-3.1	-3.0	-3.6	-2.5	-3.8	-4.6	-7.5	-5.9	-1.1
13	.0	1.2	.2	2.3	6.0	-3.0	2.8	-2.6	-3.2	4.5
14	.0	-.4	4.5	4.5	3.2	1.5	4.1	-2.1	-1.0	6.8
15	.0	1.0	6.7	8.3	6.7	5.6	5.7	1.4	3.7	5.5
16	.0	1.6	5.2	10.2	9.8	6.6	12.0	1.7	1.8	1.9
17	.0	-1.5	-.5	6.4	5.8	1.6	—	-3.0	-1.1	-3.7
18	.0	-2.1	-3.1	1.4	4.3	2.6	—	-4.3	-1.5	-2.1
19	.0	-2.9	-5.2	-.2	.9	-1.4	—	-3.3	.9	-4.2
20	.0	5.0	-7.3	-4.9	-2.0	-6.5	—	-5.2	-1.9	-14.4
Mean	.0	-0.7	-2.3	.1	.9	-1.7	-.9	-3.5	-2.1	-2.8
rms	.0	2.4	5.2	5.9	5.5	4.9	7.3	3.2	3.4	6.4

(a) X bias

Cyc	Y bias (Case GS VS.)									
	csr1	csr2	csr3	jpl	willis	nasal	nasa2	cnes1	cnes2	deos
8	.0	-.2	-5.5	-3.4	-3.6	-7.7	-6.8	-4.4	-6.4	-7.9
9	.0	.1	-3.0	-5.8	-3.2	-3.2	-7.1	3.4	1.9	-4.4
10	.0	1.6	-2.8	-2.3	.3	-1.2	-6.2	5.3	5.7	.9
11	.0	1.2	-4.9	-1.5	-.9	-3.7	-7.1	4.9	2.6	-.2
12	.0	2.2	-5.4	-.1	2.0	-2.4	-4.4	1.9	-1.0	.0
13	.0	1.8	-11.1	2.1	2.7	-8.7	-3.3	-3.3	-7.1	-8.6
14	.0	2.5	1.0	2.0	5.6	3.2	-4.8	3.9	1.8	.5
15	.0	2.5	1.0	3.6	6.5	2.2	-2.0	3.1	-1.2	-1.6
16	.0	.5	-1.1	.8	5.4	-1.3	-1.7	-4.9	-8.0	-4.3
17	.0	.9	-7.6	.6	3.9	-6.6	—	-8.8	-13.3	-11.7
18	.0	.1	-5.5	-1.6	.2	-8.9	—	-10.0	-13.9	-13.6
19	.0	.0	-7.7	-3.2	-.8	-8.3	—	-8.9	-12.7	-9.7
20	.0	-.6	-12.7	-6.4	-3.8	-10.3	—	-9.4	-11.6	-13.8
Mean	.0	1.0	-5.0	-1.2	1.1	-4.4	-4.8	-2.1	-4.9	-5.7
rms	.0	1.1	4.2	3.0	3.6	4.4	2.1	6.0	6.8	5.5

(b) Y bias

Cyc	Z bias (Case GS VS.)									
	csr1	csr2	csr3	jpl	willis	nasal	nasa2	cnes1	cnes2	deos
8	.0	-1.3	-1.8	.9	5.6	1.0	-4.9	1.0	2.2	-1.4
9	.0	-1.2	.5	2.5	7.5	.1	2.8	3.6	5.9	-.1
10	.0	-1.1	-.1	2.7	6.1	-.3	4.3	4.6	12.1	-1.5
11	.0	-2.8	-7.4	2.2	4.4	-2.7	2.3	.5	.3	-.3
12	.0	1.1	-.7	-1.0	3.8	-2.1	3.3	-4.7	.4	-1.6
13	.0	-1.2	3.7	1.7	4.9	-1.3	.8	-8.4	-1.8	-2.2
14	.0	.7	-5.6	-4.9	2.7	-2.6	10.6	-.7	19.7	3.2
15	.0	3.1	6.7	.2	10.3	8.3	11.6	11.5	20.0	8.5
16	.0	1.7	2.0	-.6	11.3	5.2	13.5	5.1	11.6	5.8
17	.0	1.6	-.5	.1	11.4	5.8	—	8.0	-2.2	7.5
18	.0	2.5	6.2	3.2	12.2	8.3	—	8.4	-2.8	6.7
19	.0	1.6	-.2	-.1	9.4	1.6	—	3.8	13.0	1.9
20	.0	1.2	-4.5	2.5	11.3	1.4	—	8.1	8.9	-4.8
Mean	.0	.5	-1.1	.7	7.8	1.7	4.9	3.1	6.7	1.7
rms	.0	1.8	4.2	2.2	3.4	3.9	5.9	5.6	8.1	4.3

(c) Z bias

Table 5.12: Orbit Bias in a Earth-Centered Earth-Fixed Frame for External Comparison

However, the combined orbits from CSR such as Orbit **csr1** and Orbit **csr2** with the dynamic approach appear to be comparable to the orbit **jpl**. The crossover RMSs of **csr1** (5.87 cm) and **csr2** (5.85 cm) are close or better than the crossover RMS of **jpl** (5.87 cm). Also, the SLR residual RMSs of **csr1** (0.87 cm) and **csr2** (0.90 cm) are much better than the SLR residual RMS of **jpl** (1.10 cm) with smaller scatter, which was expected since **Case csr1** and **Case csr2** included SLR data for the orbit processing. Especially in cycle 12 and 16, where the weak tracking of GPS occurred (see Figure 4.2(a) and Table 4.3), the orbit centering of **Case csr1** appears to be much better than **Case jpl**.

The orbit centering of **csr1** is the best among all the orbits, with the crossover Mean of $-0.7 (\pm 4.9)$ mm, which is also the smallest scatter. On the other hand, the Orbit **csr2** with all three measurement systems shows slightly degraded orbit centering with the crossover Mean of $-1.9 (\pm 7.0)$ mm. As discussed previously in Section 5.4, the degradation of the orbit centering of **Case csr2** against **Case csr1** is due to the addition of DORIS, which somehow can be redundant or actually degrade the orbits when there are adequate GPS and SLR tracking. When we compare the two reduced-dynamic approach orbits with GPS-only (**Case jpl**) and with GPS/DORIS (**Case willis**), the degradation from the addition of DORIS can be observed again. By addition of the DORIS data to GPS, the magnitude of the crossover Mean increased from -0.7 mm to -4.1 mm, also the crossover RMS and the SLR residual RMS increased from 5.87 cm to 5.91 cm, and from 1.10 cm to 1.21 cm respectively.

Table 5.12 shows the orbit bias in each direction of each orbit solution in the Earth-Centered Earth-Fixed (ECEF) frame compared to Orbit **csr1**. Orbit **csr1**, which is the orbit solution from combination of GPS and SLR, is assumed to be the true orbit. Most of SLR/DORIS orbits from the dynamic approach such as **csr3**, **nasa1** and **deos** show biases from **csr1** of $-2 \sim -3$ cm in X-direction, $-4 \sim -6$ cm in Y-direction, and $0 \sim 2$ cm in Z-direction. However, Orbit **jpl** from reduced-dynamic approach with the GPS-only tracking shows biases less than 1 cm in all directions while Orbit **willis** from reduced-dynamic approach with combination of GPS and DORIS shows a bias as large as 8 cm in Z-direction. It is unclear if this was a processing problem or the result of adding DORIS without also including the SLR data.

In summary, among the orbit solutions with the dynamic approach, CSR's two combined orbit solutions, **csr1** and **csr2**, performed best. Orbit **csr1** were processed by combining GPS and SLR systems, and Orbit **csr2** were processed by combining GPS, SLR and DORIS systems. Among the orbit solutions with the reduced-dynamic approach, Orbit **jpl** with GPS-only system performed best. The crossover Means of **csr1**, **csr2** and **jpl** are $-0.7(\pm 4.9)$ mm, $-1.9(\pm 7.0)$ mm and $-0.7(\pm 6.9)$ mm respectively. The crossover RMSs of **csr1**, **csr2** and **jpl** are $5.87(\pm 0.21)$ cm, $5.85(\pm 0.21)$ cm and $5.87(\pm 0.19)$ cm respectively. The SLR residual RMSs of **csr1**, **csr2** and **jpl** are $0.87(\pm 0.21)$ cm, $0.90(\pm 0.18)$ cm and $1.10(\pm 0.30)$ cm respectively. In both approaches, DORIS combined to GPS appears to be redundant or even degrade the orbit centering in those cases where the GPS tracking alone is adequate. Especially,

without support from SLR, DORIS may significantly degrade the orbit centering. Overall, in the dynamic approach, a combination of GPS and SLR appears to perform best.

Chapter 6

Orbit Improvement by Optimal Network Selection of GPS Stations

As of August 2002, 335 stations of the International GPS Service (IGS) are available at <http://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/network/list.html>, and about 200 ITRF2000 GPS station coordinate solutions are available with the SINEX format at <ftp://schubert.ensg.ign.fr/pub/itrf/itrf2000/>. For GPS orbit processing, a good performing station set should be selected, since it would be unreasonable to process the GPS data from all the stations, and processing all the data does not necessarily guarantee the best orbit solution.

Since December 2, 2001, Analysis Centers of the IGS have been providing GPS satellite orbits (ephemerides) that are referenced to a new terrestrial reference frame, called IGS2000 (or IGS00). IGS00, which is the IGS realization of ITRF2000, is composed of 51¹ stations updated from the original 51 stations of IGS97. IGS00 was designed to be consistent ‘on the average sense’ with the International Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2000 (ITRF2000 or ITRF00). Thus, the best fitting Helmert transformation between IGS00 and

¹For the complete list of IGS00, refer to ftp://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/igscb/station/coord/IGS00P04_RS51.SNX.Z. The station set used is updated from 51 stations to 54 stations later with minor changes in IGS01P37_RS54.snx.Z.

ITRF2000 for the set of 51 well-established, international GPS satellite tracking sites is the identity function, even though the IGS00 position and velocity for any particular site may differ slightly from its corresponding ITRF2000 position and velocity.

As of 2002, for CSR’s nominal GPS orbits, we use coordinate information for the 51 IGS00 stations (see Table 6.1) to process the GPS tracking data. Out of these stations, several stations are not utilized at CSR, mainly because the data from these stations might be redundant or simply because they do not track the Jason-1 satellite steadily and reliably over the cycles. Thus, the GPS tracking data from about 40 to 43 stations (the “Nominal Set”) have usually been processed to obtain the nominal orbit solutions discussed in the previous chapters. The number of stations in the Nominal Set may vary each day depending on each station’s scheduling. However, the question of whether the nominal orbit solutions from the Nominal Set are the best orbit solutions or not when compared with orbits from other station sets has never been fully investigated.

The objective of this chapter is to develop a method of selecting the best performing and geographically well-distributed optimal station sets, and to assess their orbit quality compared to the orbits from the Nominal Set. Selecting optimal sets is expected to improve orbit solutions and the tuned gravity solution, not only by reducing poorer performing redundant stations, but also by improving the centering of orbits with better distributed stations.

First, before the introduction of the optimal set selection in Section

site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
algo	40104M002	281.9286	45.9588	202.0000	Algonquin Park	Canada	NRCan/GSD
areq	42202M005	288.5072	-16.4655	2488.9294	Arequipa	Peru	NASA/JPL
auck	50209M001	174.8344	-36.6028	132.0000	Whangaparaoa	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
bahr	24901M002	50.6081	26.2091	-17.0300	Manama	Bahrain	NIMA
braz	41606M001	312.1222	-15.9474	1106.0413	Brasilia	Brazil	IBGE
brmu	42501S004	295.3030	32.3700	-10.6190	Bermuda	U.K.	NOAA
cas1	66011M001	110.5197	-66.2834	22.5500	Casey	Antarctica	AUSLIG
chat	50207M001	183.4342	-43.9558	58.0000	Waitangi	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
dav1	66010M001	77.9726	-68.5773	44.5000	Davis	Antarctica	AUSLIG
fair	40408M001	212.5008	64.9780	319.0097	Fairbanks	USA	JPL-GSFC
fort	41602M001	321.5744	-3.8774	20.4918	Eusebio, Fortaleza	Brazil	NOAA
gode	40451M123	283.1732	39.0217	14.5082	Greenbelt	USA	NASA/JPL
gold	40405S031	243.1108	35.4251	986.6644	Goldstone	USA	NASA/JPL
graz	11001M002	15.4935	47.0671	538.2900	Graz	Austria	ISR
guam	50501M002	144.8683	13.5893	201.9220	Dededo	Guam	NASA/JPL
hob2	50116M004	147.4387	-42.8047	41.1263	Hobart	Australia	AUSLIG
hrao	30302M004	27.6870	-25.8901	1414.1877	Krugersdorp	South Africa	HRAO-JPL
irkt	12313M001	104.3162	52.2190	503.3816	Irkutsk	Russia	DUT
kerq	91201M002	70.2555	-49.3515	74.0583	Port aux Francais	Kerguelen Islands	CNES
kit3	12334M001	66.8800	39.1400	643.0000	Kitab	Uzbekistan	GFZ
kokb	40424M004	200.3351	22.1263	1167.3680	Kokee Park, Waimea,	USA	NASA/JPL
kosg	13504M003	5.8096	52.1784	97.8617	Kootwijk	The Netherlands	DUT
kour	97301M210	307.1940	5.2522	-25.5700	Kourou	French Guyana	ESA
kwj1	50506M001	167.7302	8.7222	38.2688	Kwajalein Atoll	Marshall Islands	NASA/JPL
lhas	21613M001	91.1040	29.6573	3622.0000	LHASA	China	BKG
mac1	50135M001	158.9358	-54.4995	-6.6900	MacQuarie Island	Southern Ocean	AUSLIG
mali	33201M001	40.1944	-2.9959	22.7200	Malindi	Kenya	ESA
mas1	31303M002	344.3667	27.7637	197.3000	Maspalomas	Spain	ESA
mate	12734M008	16.7045	40.6491	535.6000	MATERA	ITALY	ASI
mcm4	66001M003	166.6693	-77.8383	97.9201	Ross Island	Antarctica	NASA/JPL
mdol	40442M012	255.9850	30.6805	2005.4936	Fort Davis	USA	NASA/JPL
nlib	40465M001	268.4251	41.7716	207.0648	North Liberty	USA	NASA/JPL
nyal	10317M001	11.8700	78.9300	82.0000	Ny-Alesund	Norway	NMA
ohig †	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
onsa	10402M004	11.9255	57.3953	46.5789	ONSALA	SWEDEN	OSO
pert	50133M001	115.8852	-31.8019	12.9200	Perth	Australia	ESA
piel	40456M001	251.8811	34.3015	2347.7250	Pie Town	USA	NASA/JPL
pots	14106M003	13.0700	52.3800	174.0000	Potsdam	Germany	GFZ
sant	41705M003	289.3314	-33.1503	723.0399	Santiago	Chile	NASA/JPL
shao	21605M002	121.2004	31.0996	22.0933	Sheshan	China	CAS-JPL
thul	43001M001	291.2120	76.5373	55.0030	Thule	Greenland	KMS-JPL
tidb	50103M108	148.9800	-35.3992	665.3818	Tidbinbilla	Australia	NASA/JPL
trom	10302M003	18.9383	69.6639	132.0000	Tromsø	Norway	NMA
tskb	21730S005	140.0874	36.1057	67.3000	Tsukuba	Japan	GSI
vill	13406M001	356.0480	40.4436	647.5000	Villafranca	Spain	ESA
wes2	40440S020	288.5060	42.6130	86.0170	Westford	U.S.A.	NOAA
wtzr	14201M010	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
yar1	50107M004	115.3470	-29.0466	241.2967	Mingenew	Australia	NASA/JPL
yell	40127M003	245.5193	62.4809	181.0000	Yellowknife	Canada	NRCan/GSD
zwen	12330M001	36.7600	55.7000	270.0000	Zwenigorod	Russia	GFZ

† ohig is deactivated in 2002

Table 6.1: 51 Stations implemented in the TEXGAP software at CSR for nominal LEO orbits. It is based on IGS00

6.2, the orbit quality degradation affected by the reduced GPS tracking station numbers and by the hemispherical imbalanced distribution of tracking stations is examined in Section 6.1. Several experimental subsets out of the 51 IGS00 stations were selected, and their orbit solutions were compared with the solution from the Nominal Set. In Section 6.2, an optimal IGS network selection method is discussed. As a first step, to select the best performing stations out of over 300 IGS stations, 1) station coordinates accuracy, 2) station performance quality over a cycle, and 3) double-differenced observation numbers over a cycle are examined for each station in Section 6.2.1. Then, to measure the uniformity of distribution, a measure of the distribution uniformity (u) is defined in Section 6.2.2. The uniformity measure, u , was applied to find optimally distributed sets out of the best performing stations. To improve the global distribution of the network, the remotely located stations were weighted more in the selection process. The orbits with the optimal sets selected for cycle 8 to 10 were compared with the orbits from the Nominal Set by using several orbit performance measures in Section 6.3.

6.1 GPS Tracking station distribution and degradation of Orbit

For the ground station selection problem, there are two important aspects to consider: one is to find the optimal number of ground stations to process, the other is to find a uniformly distributed set in the geographical sense. In this section, we discuss the test results concerning 1) the relationship

between the ground station numbers and orbit quality, and 2) the relationship between the geographical distribution of stations and the orbit quality.

To investigate how a reduced number of stations affects the orbit quality, five sets with different ground station distributions were chosen with a uniform geographical distribution in mind. However, it is difficult to avoid some imbalance between the southern and northern hemispherical distributions. Their orbit solutions were compared with the orbit solution from the Nominal Set. Jason-1 GPS tracking data from the Nominal Set with 43 stations for cycle 8 and 10 were processed at CSR to get the nominal orbits discussed in the previous chapters. Although the Nominal Set composed of these 43 stations is almost globally distributed, it is not uniformly distributed, and there could still be redundancies.

As shown in Fig. 6.2, five ground stations are selected for Set 1. Eleven stations for Set 2, fifteen stations for Set 3, twenty stations for Set 4, and twenty four stations for Set 5 were selected. All of these stations are also members of the Nominal Set and they are also IGS00 stations. All other parameterizations were the same for each orbit determination process. The subarc lengths adopted for this experiment are 1.8738 hour for the estimation of CT, and 5.6214 hour for the estimation of the 1-cpr empirical forces, which were the same as the parameterization for the nominal orbit solutions.

Table 6.2 and Figure 6.3 compare the orbit performance of each station set. As expected, the orbit from Set 1 with only five ground stations performed worst in both cycles. Its crossover Mean, 1.62 cm, is particularly large com-

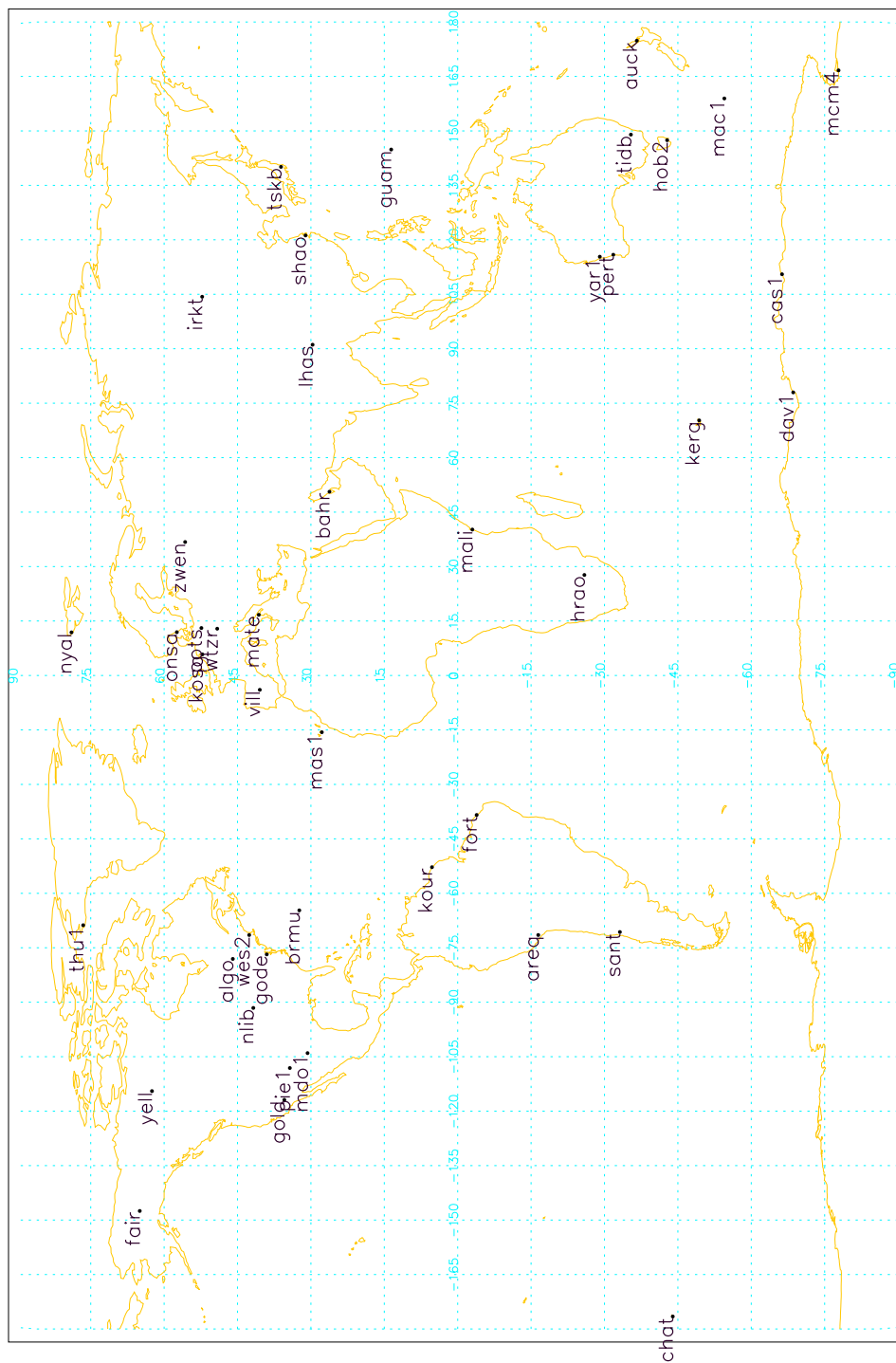
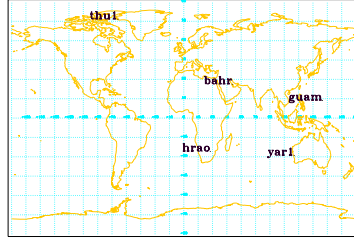
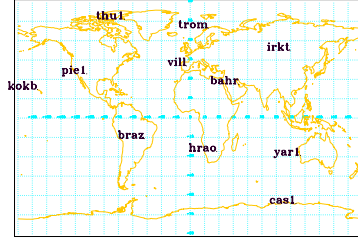


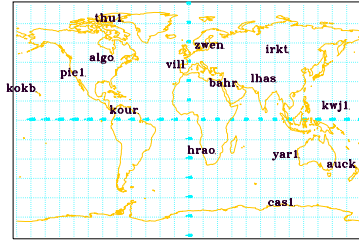
Figure 6.1: Nominal Set for Jason-1 POD at CSR (43 IGS00 stations).



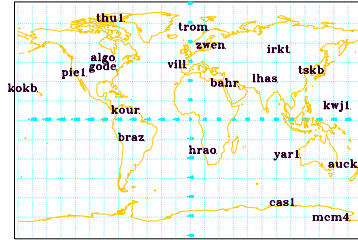
(a) Set 1 (5 stations)



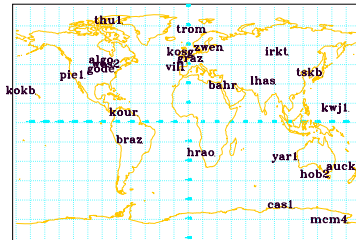
(b) Set 2 (11 stations)



(c) Set 3 (15 stations)



(d) Set 4 (20 stations)

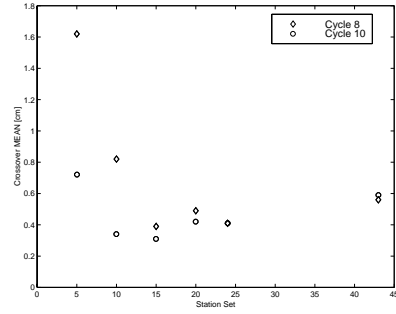


(e) Set 5 (24 stations)

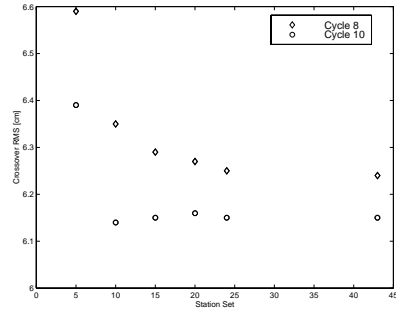
Figure 6.2: Ground station set selection for the experiment to find optimal number of ground station for the precision orbit determination problem

pared to the crossover Mean of other orbits ranging 3 to 5 mm, which indicates that the orbit with so few tracking stations suffered from orbit miscentering. The orbit of cycle 8 from Set 2, and the orbit of cycle 10 from Set 1 were possibly miscentered too. The comparison of the crossover RMSs shows that the orbit from Set 3 with 15 stations performed close to the nominal orbit which was obtained from the Nominal Set with 43 stations. The orbits from Set 4 with 20 stations and Set 5 with 24 stations performed as good as the nominal orbit did in the sense of the crossover statistics and SLR residual tests. This strongly indicates that, for the Jason-1 precise orbit determination problem with GPS tracking data, only 20 to 30 well-distributed and well-performing GPS ground stations are required for a good quality orbit.

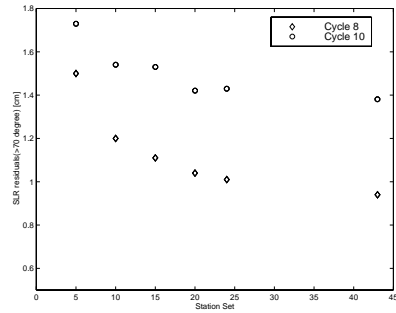
In summary, for the Jason-1 POD with GPS tracking data, tracking from well-distributed and the best-performing 20 to 30 GPS stations appears to be enough to obtain reasonably accurate orbit solutions. More tracking stations do not necessarily guarantee the orbit solution with better accuracy. Therefore, it is necessary to further search for the optimal sets composed of best performing and uniformly distributed ground stations. The optimal sets may further improve the orbit quality. In the next section, how to select the optimal ground station set will be discussed, also the orbit performance with the optimal station set will be assessed. Using the uniformly distributed station set is important for avoiding miscentering problems.



(a) Crossover Mean



(b) Crossover RMS



(c) SLR residuals

Figure 6.3: Orbit Performance Test for the Sets with Various Station Numbers. The orbits with 20~25 stations perform as good as the orbits from the Nominal Set.

station set	crossover residuals		SLR residuals($>70^\circ$)	
	Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
Set 1 (5 stations)	16.2	65.9	-.4	15.0
Set 2 (11 stations)	8.2	63.5	.4	12.0
Set 3 (15 stations)	3.9	62.9	.5	11.1
Set 4 (20 stations)	4.9	62.7	.9	10.4
Set 5 (24 stations)	4.1	62.5	.6	10.1
Nominal Set	5.6	62.4	.0	9.4

(a) GPS-only orbit for cycle 8

station set	crossover residuals		SLR residuals($>70^\circ$)	
	Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
Set 1 (5 stations)	7.2	63.9	-7.4	17.3
Set 2 (11 stations)	3.4	61.4	-7.9	15.4
Set 3 (15 stations)	3.1	61.5	-8.6	15.3
Set 4 (20 stations)	4.2	61.6	-7.8	14.2
Set 5 (24 stations)	4.1	61.5	-7.9	14.3
Nominal Set	5.9	61.5	-7.5	13.8

(b) GPS-only orbit for cycle 10

Table 6.2: Station Number and Orbit Performance. In terms of the crossover RMS, the orbits with 20 or 24 stations perform as good as the orbits from the Nominal Set.

6.2 Optimal IGS Network Selection

A proof of concept for the International GPS Service for Geodynamics (IGS) was conducted with a three-month campaign during June through September 1992, and was continued through a Pilot-service until the establishment of the IGS in 1993 by the International Association of Geodesy (IAG). The IGS began formally on 1 January 1994. IGS is a member of the Federa-

tion of Astronomical and Geophysical Data Analysis Services (FAGS) and it operates in close cooperation with the International Earth Rotation Service (IERS). Due to the expansion of IGS objectives, the name of the service was changed to International GPS Service (IGS) on 1 January 1999.

IGS Stations provide continuous tracking using high accuracy receivers and have data transmission facilities allowing for a rapid (at least daily) data transmission to the data centers. The stations have to meet certain requirements, which are specified in a separate document available from the Central Bureau. The tracking data of IGS stations are regularly and continuously analyzed by at least one IGS Analysis Center or IGS Associate Analysis Center. These analyses must be available to, analyzed and published by the IERS for at least two consecutive years. During this initial period, the IGS Central Bureau can temporarily designate new tracking stations as IGS stations.

An IGS Station whose data is analyzed by at least three IGS Analysis Centers for the purpose of orbit generation, at least one of which lies on a different continent from the station considered, is called an IGS Global Station. As of August 2002, there are 335 IGS stations, of which 127 are designated as IGS Global stations (see Appendix F.1). Most of IGS00 stations are also IGS Global Stations. All IGS stations are qualified as reference stations for regional GPS analyses.

For the experiment to search for the optimal station sets, a new station information file (see Appendix F.3) for preprocessing in TEXGAP and the orbit estimation in MSODP was created independent of CSR's nominal

station information file, which is based on IGS00 and used for CSR's general LEO orbit determination purpose. To create the new MSODP station information file, 5-digit DOMES numbers for each antenna and their coordinates were taken from the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file (see ftp://schubert.ensg.ign.fr/pub/itrf/itrf2000/ITRF2000_GPS.SNX.gz), and 4-character codes were used from the IGS SINEX file (see <ftp://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/igscb/station/general/igs.snx> or <ftp://igs.ensg.ign.fr/pub/igscb/station/general/igs.snx>). It is not unusual that the coordinate solutions for the same antenna can be different between the two SINEX files. The ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file was the basis of the coordinates solution of the station information file in this experiment.

Although 335 IGS stations are available in the IGS SINEX solution as of August 2002, many stations are excluded in this experiment because:

1. Some stations were included in the IGS network after the establishment of the ITRF2000, so the ITRF2000 SINEX file do not provide their coordinates.
2. Some stations are not active any longer,
3. 4-character IDs of some stations in the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file do not match with the IDs in the IGS SINEX file, although their 9-character DOMES numbers exactly coincide.

The DOMES number (e.g. 14001M004) is the only truly unique identifier of a marker within the network of permanent IGS stations. It has already been

defined by the IERS for the sites of other space technique sites such as VLBI and SLR. It contains: 1) one digit for the continent (e.g.: 1=Europe); 2) two for the country (40=Switzerland); 3) two for the site (01=Zimmerwald); 4) one character to distinguish between marker (M) and sensor (S); and 5) three digits for the marker (004). It is assigned to each marker by the IERS bureau on request. The 4-character station code used e.g., for the RINEX file naming, is not suited for such a unique identifier. Station names stored in the logs and the RINEX files are often difficult to relate to the specific marker.

Since the MSODP station information file uses only 5 digits for DOMES number, several antennas sharing the same 5-digit DOMES number, need to be assigned to new 5-digit DOMES numbers for MSODP. For the 5-digit DOMES numbers, 80000 to 89999 are allocated since these numbers are not assigned to any marker by IERS yet. For example, stations such as **bran** (DOMES number=40400M301), **cit1** (40400S201), **jplm** (40400M007), and **wlsn** (40400M101) are located close to each other, and share the same 5-digit DOMES number, 40400. For this experiment, 80028, 80027, 40400, and 80026 are assigned to each station respectively for the station information file as shown in Table F.3. Other neighboring antennas such as **harv** (40420M101) and **vndp** (40420M007) are also assigned to 80030 and 40420 respectively. Although all the GPS tracking data from these neighboring antennas are processed in the preprocessing stage with TEXGAP, ultimately one of the best performing antenna among them will be selected during the optimal distributed station selection process for the orbit estimation to be discussed later

in Section 6.2.3.

Stations like **ober**, **ohig**, **taiw**², and **upad** are not active and new antennas have substituted for them with new 4-character IDs by IGS, but with the same 5-digit DOMES numbers to the old antennas by IERS (e.g. **ober** to **obe2** and **obet**; **ohig** to **ohi2** and **ohiz**; and **upad** to **pado**). None of them, either old ones or new ones, are included in the new MSODP station information file because the coordinate solution of these new substitutes do not match to the 4-character IDs nor 9-character DOMES numbers in the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file.

For the pairs such as **darr** and **darw**; **davr** and **dav1**; **gol2** and **gold**; **mad2** and **madr**; **nrc2** and **nrc1**; **os0g** and **onsa**; **tid1**, **tid2** and **tidb**; and, **yar2** and **yar1** (close to **yarr**), each site in pairs shares the exact same 9-character DOMES numbers with different 4-character IDs in the IGS SINEX file, while the ITRF 2000 GPS SINEX file provides only one coordinate solution for each DOMES number. Although all of the antennas in the pairs are active, only one antenna from each pair with the same 4-character IDs in the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file was selected to process its GPS data. For this experiment, **darw**, **dav1**, **gold**, **madr**, **nrc1**, **onsa**, **tidb**, and **yar1** were included with the original 5-digit DOMES numbers. For the **darw** and **darr** pair, **darw** was chosen even though its coordinate solution is not available in the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file since it is a fairly new station. Coordinates of

²no longer assigned to DOMES number 23601

darw were assumed to be the same to the coordinates of **darr**.

Since the station information file used in this experiment is based on the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file, the station information is limited only to the stations available at the time of the ITRF2000 establishment. To use newly activated station information, the approximate positions and velocities should be taken from in the log file maintained by each station. In this experiment, no coordinate information from the log file of any site was taken. However, when the log file is used as a source for the coordinate information, care should be taken, because their solution may not be consistent with ITRF2000. Another station needs to be mentioned is **areq**. An earthquake occurred recently near the **areq** station after the ITRF2000 establishment, so its coordinate information in the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file is outdated. The information of **areq** for the Nominal Set was from the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file, but **areq** was excluded in the optimal set selection.

6.2.1 Selection Criteria

For the initial step to obtain optimal station sets, 208 ITRF2000 GPS stations were chosen for the preprocessing in TEXTGAP and for the MSODP station information file. The coordinate information of the 208 stations is based on `ftp://schubert.ensg.ign.fr/pub/itrf/itrf2000/ITRF2000_GPS.SNX.gz`, and their 4-character IDs are based on `ftp://igs.cb.jpl.nasa.gov/igs.cb/station/general/igs.snx`.

All of the GPS tracking data from the 208 stations were preprocessed

to generate the Double-Differenced observation (DDObs), but all of the DDObs data were not necessarily processed in MSODP to get orbit solutions. Instead, the results of the DDObs numbers from the preprocessing were used as one of the criteria to select the best performing stations for the next step in the optimal station set selection process. The DDObs from finally selected optimal station sets were actually processed for the orbit solution in MSODP.

For the optimal selection process, there are two aspects to consider: one is to quantify each station's performance; the other is to examine the geographical distribution. To quantify the station performance, three criteria such as 1) Station Coordinates Accuracy, 2) Station Performance Quality, and 3) DDObs numbers are defined in this section. Another criteria to investigate the geographical distribution of networks will be defined in Section 6.2.2.

The Station Coordinates Accuracy is defined based on the coordinate solution accuracy in the ITRF2000 GPS SINEX file. The Station Performance Quality is based on the daily station performance report from JPL (see <ftp://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/igscb/mail/igsnet/daily/>). The DDObs numbers are taken from the preprocessing of CSR's TEXGAP program. Once the best performing stations are screened based on the three criteria above, the uniformity indicator of the distribution is applied to get optimal station sets whose tracking data will be processed to get orbit solutions.

Station Coordinates Accuracy (SIGMA)

The total position accuracy for each station is calculated by using each component's sigma from the ITRF2000 solution as:

$$\sigma_{pos} = \sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_z^2} \quad (6.1)$$

Likewise, the total velocity accuracy for each station is calculated as:

$$\sigma_{vel} = \sqrt{\sigma_{V_x}^2 + \sigma_{V_y}^2 + \sigma_{V_z}^2} \quad (6.2)$$

The coordinates accuracy of some stations such as **bili** (12.44 cm), **chwk** (10.86 cm), **drag** (19.57 cm), **ineg** (15.06 cm), etc. are noticeably larger (see Table F.4 for details). Their coordinates are poorly determined for one of several reasons: 1) some are located on very active, moving plates, 2) poor tracking history, 3) stations with poorly working GPS receivers, 4) recent earthquake occurrence and others. All stations with poor coordinates will be excluded in the process of selecting an optimal ground station set. Note that the coordinates accuracy of all 51 IGS00 stations is less than the 1-cm level.

Station Performance Quality

The daily performance qualities of 208 stations for cycle 8 were examined (see Table F.7 for details). For each station, daily performance quality values were averaged over one cycle period. The information listed in Table F.7 is from JPL IGS Analysis Center procedures based on RINEX data available from JPL's GPS Networks and Operations Group. The station report is generated periodically for the IGS Central Bureau by JPL's Satellite Geodesy and

Geodynamics System (SGGS) Group, based on Rinx data provided by the GPS Networks and Operations (GNO) Group. See Zumberge [1996] for details on the daily station performance definition.

The values of the performance quality in Table F.7 account for amount of data, number of phase breaks, formal errors of (precise) point-positioned coordinates, and pseudorange and phase residuals. (A dot means that no data from the site were processed at JPL for the days covered.) The quality is also the average over one or more days of a daily quality value. The daily quality value is based on several categories as shown in Table F.6. One quality point is awarded on each day for each of the following conditions:

1. there are at least 250 valid clock solutions
2. there are fewer than 100 phase bias resets (the last field in Table F.6)
3. the 3d formal error of the solution for station location is less than 1 cm
(this field is not in Table F.6, but is in a related database)
4. the pseudorange rms residuals (field 8 in Table F.6) are less than 86 cm
(this is true 95% of the time), and the number of pseudorange measurements is at least 90% of the number of phase measurements
5. the phase rms residuals (field 10 in Table F.6) are less than 13 mm (also true 95% of the time)

Thus, one site can be awarded up to 5 quality points every day. The quality values in Table F.7 is calculated as:

$$quality = \langle P \rangle / 0.5 \quad (6.3)$$

where $\langle P \rangle$ is the average number of points awarded over the period reported. In this study, the daily performance quality values were averaged again over 11 days, or approximately one Jason-1 repeat cycle. However, if there is no available performance information for some days over a cycle, only the available performance qualities data were averaged. Stations with consistently bad scores ranging between 0 and 6 out of 10 were excluded.

Double-Differenced Observation numbers

All of the GPS tracking data from the 208 stations were preprocessed in the TEXGAP software, but the Double-Differenced observation (DDobs) data only from the stations of the optimal set were processed to obtain orbits in MSODP. The results of the averaged daily DDobs numbers of each station over one Jason-1 repeat cycle from the preprocessing were taken to serve as one of the criteria in the process of the optimal ground station selection (see Tables F.8, F.9 and F.10 of the daily DDobs numbers for cycles 8, 9 and 10).

6.2.2 Measure of the Distribution of Stations

Along with the criteria discussed in the previous section, another important indicator to measure the distribution uniformity of ground stations is defined in Section 6.2.2.1. In Section 6.2.2.2, Girard's formula is introduced.

The formula is employed to define the distribution uniformity indicator. Section 6.2.2.3 shows the uniformity indicator values computed for the examples of experimental distribution.

6.2.2.1 Definition of a Uniformity Measure

To define a distribution uniformity measure, all the stations on the globe are considered as vertices conforming a convex deltahedron (see Fig. 6.4). With sets of three vertices forming each triangle on the convex deltahedron, areas of the spherical triangles (or facets) were calculated by applying Girard's formula. A uniformity distribution measure (u) for the global distribution of the station network on the earth with assumed radius R can be defined such as:

$$u \equiv 1 - \frac{\sqrt{N} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{i=N} (S_i - \bar{S})^2}}{4\pi R^2} \quad (6.4)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{N}{4\pi R^2} \cdot \sigma \quad (6.5)$$

where, N is the number of triangles of the deltahedrons, S_i is the i -th spherical triangle's area formed by three vertices, \bar{S} is the mean value of the all the spherical triangle areas ($\bar{S} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} S_i/N$), and σ is the standard deviation of the spherical triangle areas ($\sigma = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{i=N} (S_i - \bar{S})^2/N}$). For the perfect uniform distribution, $u = 1$. By the definition, u always satisfies $0 < u \leq 1$.

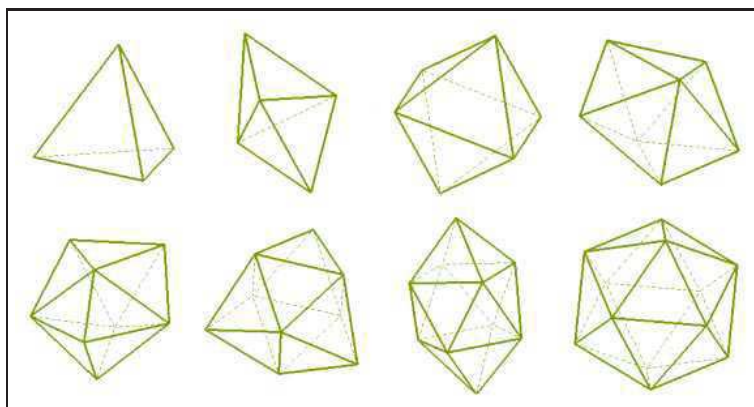


Figure 6.4: Convex Deltahedrons

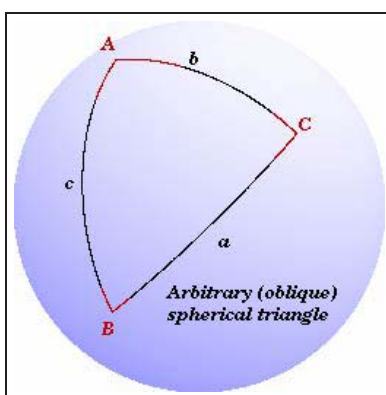


Figure 6.5: Girard Formula

6.2.2.2 Girard's Formula for Spherical Triangle

A spherical triangle is a figure formed on the surface of a sphere by three great circles intersecting pairwise in three vertices. Thus, a spherical triangle consists of three points called *vertices*, the arcs of great circles that join the vertices, called the *sides*, and the *area* that is inclosed therein as shown

in Fig. 6.5. To avoid any ambiguity in the definition, we deal with only small triangles, which are assumed that given the three vertices, no pair of which are antipodal.

Let a spherical triangle have angles A , B , and C (measured in radians at the vertices along the surface of the sphere) and let the radius of the sphere on which the spherical triangle sits is R . Also suppose that a , b , and c are the arc lengths. Then, Girard formula gives the area of the spherical triangle, S , such as [Girard, 1629; Zwillinger, 1995]:

$$S = R^2 \cdot E = R^2 \cdot (A + B + C - \pi) \quad (6.6)$$

where E is called the ‘spherical excess’, with $E = 0$ in the degenerate case of a planar triangle. When the radius R is very large, and the area of the triangle is small, E ($= S/R^2$) gets extremely small. In such cases it would be difficult to distinguish the sum of the angles from 180 degrees.

When the vectors of three points are known, their sides, a , b , and c , can be obtained such as:

$$a = \arccos\left(\frac{\vec{r}_B \cdot \vec{r}_C}{|\vec{r}_B||\vec{r}_C|}\right) \quad (6.7a)$$

$$b = \arccos\left(\frac{\vec{r}_C \cdot \vec{r}_A}{|\vec{r}_C||\vec{r}_A|}\right) \quad (6.7b)$$

$$c = \arccos\left(\frac{\vec{r}_A \cdot \vec{r}_B}{|\vec{r}_A||\vec{r}_B|}\right) \quad (6.7c)$$

The vertex angles, A , B and C are computed by **the law of cosines for sides** as follows:

$$\cos a = \cos b \cos c + \sin b \sin c \cos A \quad (6.8a)$$

$$\cos b = \cos c \cos a + \sin c \sin a \cos B \quad (6.8b)$$

$$\cos c = \cos a \cos b + \sin a \sin b \cos C \quad (6.8c)$$

Other spherical trigonometric laws can also be used. **The law of sines** can be expressed as:

$$\frac{\sin a}{\sin A} = \frac{\sin b}{\sin B} = \frac{\sin c}{\sin C} \quad (6.9)$$

The law of cosines for angles can be expressed as:

$$\cos C = -\cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \cos c \quad (6.10)$$

The equation for the spherical excess, E , in terms of the side lengths (a , b , and c) known as l'Huilier's theorem [Beyer, 1987; Zwillinger, 1995] also can be used:

$$\tan \frac{1}{4}E = \sqrt{\tan \frac{1}{2}s \tan \frac{1}{2}(s-a) \tan \frac{1}{2}(s-b) \tan \frac{1}{2}(s-c)} \quad (6.11)$$

where s is the semiperimeter. Perimeter is defined as the arc length along the boundary of a closed two-dimensional region.

Girard's theorem can easily be extended from spherical triangles to spherical polygons. A spherical polygon is a figure on the sphere which is

bounded by segments of great circles. The area for a spherical quadrilateral with angles A , B , C and D can be expressed as:

$$S = R^2 \cdot (A + B + C + D - 2\pi) \quad (6.12)$$

Also, the area of a spherical polygon with n sides can be described as [Beyer, 1987]:

$$S = R^2 \cdot [\theta - (n - 2)\pi] \quad (6.13)$$

where, θ is the sum of the radian angles of a spherical polygon on a sphere of radius R .

6.2.2.3 The Distribution Uniformity for Several Experiment Examples

Table 6.3 shows the distribution uniformity for several experiment examples. As expected, the distribution uniformity measure for regular uniform polyhedrons such as a cube in Table 6.3(a) are exactly one, because the areas of all the spherical triangles are the same. The distributions with different numbers of electrons and random points on a sphere were also tested. For the distribution test for the electrons, the inverse square law for the electrical force between electrons in the quasi-steady state was applied.

The uniformity indicator comparison of two distributions with the same number of electrons and randomly generated points on the sphere shows that the electron distribution are distributed closer to uniform than the random distribution on the sphere. But, in reality, the distribution of GPS ground

stations on the globe is far from the uniform distribution because of the nature of the vast oceans. Also, most of the GPS stations are located in North America or Europe. The uniformity indicator computed with 95 IGS “Global Stations” (as of June 2001) is 0.946, which is smaller than the uniformity indicator computed with 95 random point distribution, which is about 0.953~0.958 as shown in Table 6.3(c) implying that the 95 IGS “Global Stations” are not close to the uniform distribution, nor a random distribution. It may be a rather biased distribution set.

case	cube	electron	random
1	1.0	0.993	0.713
2	1.0	0.993	0.641
3	1.0	0.993	0.770

(a) 8 points

case	electron	random
1	0.997	0.935
2	0.997	0.935
3	0.997	0.917

(b) 51 points

case	electron	random
1	0.998	0.954
2	0.998	0.953
3	0.998	0.958

(c) 95 points

case	electron	random
1	0.999	0.972
2	0.999	0.974
3	0.999	0.973

(d) 269 points

Table 6.3: Comparison of Uniformity Measures for Various Distributions. For “electron”, given number of electrons were distributed on a sphere. For “random”, given number of points were randomly generated.

With the GPS stations, a greater number of stations does not guarantee a better distribution uniformity. For the distribution on a sphere of electrons or random points, as the number of electrons or points increases, the distribution

uniformity also increases. Contrary to the distribution of electrons or random points, the uniformity indicator with an increase of GPS stations appears to get worse at some point. Also, as shown in Section 6.1, only 20-30 stations are enough for Jason-1 POD. Therefore, the goal of the next section will be to find an optimal number of best performing stations out of the IGS set producing the most uniform distribution. The optimal station selection process by using the previously discussed selection criteria such as 1) station coordinates accuracy, 2) station daily performance quality, 3) station's DDobs number and finally, 4) uniformity indicator to measure the distribution, is further discussed in the next section.

6.2.3 Optimal Station Networks

To select optimal sets for each cycle, two steps of selection process are applied as shown in Algorithm 1 and 2. First, for each cycle, the best stations are selected out of the initial 208 ITRF2000 stations based on 1) DDobs numbers, 2) station coordinates accuracy and 3) station performance quality according to Algorithm 1. For ordinary stations, 3000 for the averaged daily DDobs numbers, 6.0 for the station performance quality, and 3.0 cm for the station coordinates accuracy are applied as thresholds. Less stringent criteria are applied to the stations of the remote station set (see Table 6.4) such as 1000 for the averaged daily DDobs numbers, 3.0 for the station performance quality, and 20.0 cm for the station coordinates accuracy. The remote station set is composed of the stations located at remote islands or polar regions, thus

they have a better chance, first, to be selected as a member of the best station set, then next, to form the optimal station sets with the geographically better distribution.

Second, for each cycle, an optimal station set is formed as shown in Algorithm 2 by applying the uniformity measure to the the best station set previously obtained according to Algorithm 1. To do so, we define a fiducial station set composed of 6 globally-distributed and best-performing stations. Starting from a fiducial station set as an initial optimal set candidate, one station out of the best station set which will produce the best uniformity of the next optimal set candidate are iteratively searched and added to the previous optimal set candidate. If there is a station nearby within 7° radius with better coordinate accuracy and DDobs number, the neighboring station replaces the subject station that was to be added to the set. The optimal set is defined as the set of which the uniformity indicator reaches the maximum or near the maximum among the optimal set candidates in the station accumulation process.

Table 6.5 shows the 95 best stations selected for cycle 8 according to Algorithm 1. Two sets with 86 best stations are also selected independently for cycle 9 and cycle 10 as shown in Table 6.6 and Table 6.7 respectively. The daily performance quality of several stations such as **braz**, **goug**, **mas1** and **ves1** was not available from the JPL ftp site. However, they were included in the best station set, since they may produce better geographical distribution if they are selected as a member of the optimal station sets in the following

Algorithm 1 Best Station Set Selection

- Start from Initial Station Set (208 ITRF2000 stations were chosen).
- Obtain each station's 1)DDobs Numbers, 2)Station Coordinates Accuracy(σ), and 3)Station Performance Quality over a cycle.
- Select better stations based on the three criteria. If the subjected station is one of the Remote Station Set, loosen the criteria as follows.

repeat

- Get a station out of 208 ITRF2000 stations

if [the subjected station = Remote Station] **then**

if [($\sigma < 20.0cm$) and (Quality ≥ 3.0) and (DDobsNumber ≥ 1000)]
then

- Add the subjected station to the best station set

else

- Discard the subjected station

end if

else

if [($\sigma < 3.0cm$) and (Quality ≥ 6.0) and (DDobsNumber ≥ 3000)]
then

- Add the subjected station to the best station set

else

- Discard the subjected station

end if

end if

until [All 208 stations are checked]

- To get a Optimal Set from the best station set, apply the uniformity measure for the station members of the Best Station Set following Algorithm

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Algorithm 2 Optimal Set Selection

- Initialize Optimal Set candidate with no station
- Select fiducial stations from the best station set and Add fiducial stations to the optimal set candidate

while [station number of the best station set \leq station number of the optimal set candidate] **do**

repeat

• choose a station out of the best station set

if [there is any station nearby (neighborhood radius = 7°)] **then**

if [(DDobs_{ngbb} > 100+DDobs) and ($\sigma_{ngbb} < \sigma/5$) and ($9 \leq$ Quality_{ngbb} ≤ 11)] **then**

• Replace the subjected station to a neighborhood station

end if

end if

• Add the subjected station to the previous optimal set candidate

• Compute the uniformity of the new set and save the subjected station and uniformity

until [All the stations of the best station set is processed]

• The new optimal set candidate is formed by adding the station producing the maximal uniformity to the previous optimal set candidate

• Compute the uniformity indicator of the new optimal set candidate and save it

end while

- An optimal set candidate with approximate maximal uniformity indicator (u) is defined as the optimal set

site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
asc1	30602M001	345.5880	-7.9512	105.1508	Ascension Island	Ascension Island	NASA/JPL
auck	50209M001	174.8344	-36.6028	132.0000	Whangaparaoa	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
bahr	24901M002	50.6081	26.2091	-17.0300	Manama	Bahrain	NIMA
bili	12363M001	166.4380	68.0761	456.2380	Bilibino	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
brmu	42501S004	295.3030	32.3700	-10.6190	Bermuda	U.K.	NOAA
cas1	66011M001	110.5197	-66.2834	22.5500	Casey	Antarctica	AUSLIG
chat	50207M001	183.4342	-43.9558	58.0000	Waitangi	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
coco	50127M001	96.8339	-12.1883	-35.2212	Cocos Island	Australia	AUSLIG
cro1	43201M001	295.4157	17.7568	-31.8280	Christiansted	U.S. Virgin Islands	NRAO-JPL
dav1	66010M001	77.9726	-68.5773	44.5000	Davis	Antarctica	AUSLIG
dgar	30802M001	72.3702	-7.2696	-64.8965	Diego Garcia Island	U.K. Territory	NASA/JPL
eisl	41703M003	250.6167	-27.1482	114.5179	Easter Island	Chile	NASA/JPL
fair	40408M001	212.5008	64.9780	319.0097	Fairbanks	USA	JPL-GSFC
fort	41602M001	321.5744	-3.8774	20.4918	Eusebio, Fortaleza	Brazil	NOAA
gala	42005M001	269.6964	-0.7426	7.4453	Galapagos Island	Ecuador	NASA/JPL
goug	30608M001	350.1333	-40.3488	81.3000	Gough Island	territory of the U.K.	AWI
guam	50501M002	144.8683	13.5893	201.9220	Dededo	Guam	NASA/JPL
hofn	10204M002	344.8132	64.2673	82.5000	Hoefn	Iceland	BKG
jama	42601S001	283.2191	17.9390	-2.9410	Kingston	Jamaica	NGS/NOS/NOAA
kely	43005M001	309.0550	66.9873	230.5636	Kangerlussuaq	Greenland	NOAA
kerp	91201M002	70.2555	-49.3515	74.0583	Port aux Francais	Kerguelen Islands	CNES
kokb	40424M004	200.3351	22.1263	1167.3680	Kokee Park, Waimea,	USA	NASA/JPL
kour	97301M210	307.1940	5.2522	-25.5700	Kourou	French Guyana	ESA
kwjl	50506M001	167.7302	8.7222	38.2688	Kwajalein Atoll	Marshall Islands	NASA/JPL
mac1	50135M001	158.9358	-54.4995	-6.6900	MacQuarie Island	Southern Ocean	AUSLIG
mas1	31303M002	344.3667	27.7637	197.3000	Maspalomas	Spain	ESA
maw1	66004M001	62.8707	-67.6048	59.1840	Mawson	Antarctica	AUSLIG
mcm4	66001M003	166.6693	-77.8383	97.9201	Ross Island	Antarctica	NASA/JPL
mkea	40477M001	204.5437	19.8013	3754.7305	Mauna Kea	USA	NASA/JPL
noum	92701M003	166.4102	-22.2699	83.0790	NOUMEA	FRANCE	DITTT
ntus	22601M001	103.6799	1.3458	79.0000	Singapore	Republic of Singapore	NTU
nyal	10317M003	11.8653	78.9296	84.0000	Ny-Alesund	Norway	NMA
nyal	10317M001	11.8700	78.9300	82.0000	Ny-Alesund	Norway	NMA
pimo	22003M001	121.0777	14.6357	95.4934	Quezon City	Phillipines	NASA/JPL
reyk	10202M001	338.0445	64.1388	93.0950	Reykjavik	Iceland	Ifag
riog	41507M004	292.2500	-53.7900	32.0000	Rio Grande	Argentina	GFZ
sch2	40133M002	293.1674	54.8321	498.1800	Schefferville	Canada	NRCan/GSD
sey1	39801M001	55.4794	-4.6737	538.2248	La Misere	Seychelles	JPL-IRIS/IDA
stjo	40101M001	307.1889	47.5952	153.9000	St. John's	Canada	NRCan/GSD
syog	66006S002	39.5837	-69.0070	50.0902	East Ongle Island	Antarctica	GSI
thti	92201M009	210.3937	-17.5769	98.0400	Papeete	Tahiti, French	CNES
thul	43001M001	291.2120	76.5373	55.0030	Thule	Greenland	KMS-JPL
tixi	12360M001	128.8664	71.6345	46.9847	Tixi	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
vesl	66009M001	357.1583	-71.6738	862.4000	Sanae IV	Antarctica	AWI
whit	40136M001	224.7779	60.7505	1427.0000	WHITEHORSE	CANADA	NRCan/GSC
yell	40127M003	245.5193	62.4809	181.0000	Yellowknife	Canada	NRCan/GSD
ykro	32601M001	354.7599	6.8706	270.4983	Yamoussoukro	Cote d'Ivoire	NASA/JPL

Table 6.4: “Remote Stations” selected for Algorithm 1 as of August, 2002. Stations at remote islands or polar regions are collected for Remote Stations.

process. The daily performance quality of **braz** was not available over cycle 8, but it was included in the best station of cycle 8. No daily performance quality of **goug** was available over cycle 8, and only 3 daily performance quality data were available over cycle 9, but **goug** was included in the best station set for both cycle 8 and 9. The daily performance quality of **mas1** and **vesl** was available for only several days, but they were also included in the best station sets of cycle 8 and 9. Note that the coordinates accuracy of **bili** is 12.44 cm, which is relatively large compared with the coordinates accuracies of other stations, but it is still within the range of the threshold of 20 cm of remote stations for the best station set selection.

In the best station sets for cycle 8, 9 and 10, the pairs such as **madr** – **vill**, **mdvo** – **zwen**, **nyal** – **nya1**, **tro1** – **trom**, **wsrt** – **kosg**, and, **usna** – **sol1** are located within the radius of 7° . Thus, only one of the pairs was selected by the condition of criteria of Algorithm 2 to form the optimal station sets.

The resulting optimal station set can be different depending on the initial selection of the fiducial stations in Algorithm 2. For this experiment, three different fiducial set, which are called **fidu1**, **fidu2** and **fidu3**, were chosen as core stations to accumulate one station, for each iteration, producing a maximal uniformity. The fiducial set of **fidu1** consists of **nya1**, **vesl**, **brmu**, **mas1**, **bahr**, and **guam**. For **fidu2**, **mag0**, **pol2**, **stjo**, **tidb**, **thti**, and **goug** are selected. The **fidu3** set are composed of **algo**, **pots**, **brmu**, **tixi**, **thti**, **goug**, and **guam**. For the fiducial sets, stations with relatively good DDobs

site Id	daily DDobs	Quality		coordinates	accuracy	site Id	daily DDobs	Quality		coordinates	accuracy
		N.A.	daily					N.A.	daily		
algo	3098.0	0	10.00000	0.30000		maw1	4131.0	1	8.18180	0.88000	
alic	3557.2	0	10.00000	1.24000		mcm4	4517.1	0	5.45450	0.33000	
ankr	3579.6	1	9.09090	1.24000		mdvo	3481.3	2	6.9091	0.3700	
artu	3776.7	0	10.00000	0.71000		met5	3880.7	1	9.09090	0.24000	
ascl	2776.8	1	8.90910	0.46000		mkea	2611.4	0	10.00000	0.30000	
auck	3286.0	0	10.00000	0.30000		nico	3469.4	1	9.09090	0.58000	
bahr	3326.2	1	8.72730	0.35000		noum	3376.8	2	8.18180	0.66000	
bili	4021.0	0	10.00000	12.44000		nrc1	3153.5	0	10.00000	0.37000	
bjfs	3356.9	2	7.81820	2.91000		ntus	3838.4	2	8.18180	0.92000	
bor1	3250.0	1	9.09090	0.30000		nya1	4372.4	2	4.36360	0.42000	
braz	3116.9	11	0.00000	0.47000		nya1	4343.2	2	6.5455	0.3300	
brmu	2771.4	0	10.00000	0.30000		onsa	3734.5	1	9.09090	0.24000	
brus	3135.0	1	8.54550	0.30000		pert	3244.1	1	9.09090	0.30000	
casl	4205.5	1	7.09090	0.37000		petp	3392.1	0	9.63640	1.21000	
chat	3361.8	0	10.00000	0.30000		pimo	2441.5	0	7.09090	1.08000	
chur	3101.3	1	8.90910	0.37000		pol2	3535.0	0	10.00000	0.30000	
coco	2912.3	2	8.18180	0.46000		pots	3568.3	1	9.09090	0.24000	
crol	2987.8	0	10.00000	0.24000		ramo	3459.8	5	5.45450	1.17000	
dav1	3781.9	1	6.90910	0.33000		reyk	3872.1	1	8.72730	0.24000	
ebre	3363.1	1	9.09090	0.44000		riog	3526.7	1	8.72730	0.54000	
eisl	1433.5	0	7.81820	0.30000		sant	3307.3	0	9.81820	0.30000	
fair	3157.9	0	7.45450	0.24000		sch2	3274.5	0	10.00000	0.54000	
fort	2513.8	0	8.36360	0.30000		seyl	1568.0	0	5.81820	1.30000	
gala	3009.0	0	10.00000	0.64000		stjo	3530.2	0	10.00000	0.24000	
glsv	3653.5	1	9.09090	0.84000		suth	3115.8	0	10.00000	0.78000	
goug	2759.6	11	0.00000	1.27000		suwn	3462.5	5	5.45450	0.98000	
gras	3128.1	1	8.00000	0.30000		syog	3921.8	3	6.72730	0.79000	
graz	3562.0	1	9.09090	0.30000		thti	2865.8	2	8.18180	0.52000	
guam	3183.2	0	9.27270	0.35000		thu1	2493.5	2	5.63640	0.33000	
hers	3459.6	3	7.27270	0.51000		tidb	3452.2	0	10.00000	0.30000	
hob2	3316.4	2	7.63640	0.30000		tixi	4170.5	0	9.45450	1.24000	
hofn	3856.6	1	8.36360	0.59000		tow2	3527.7	0	10.00000	1.19000	
irkt	3002.0	3	6.90910	0.30000		trol	4258.8	1	8.5455	0.9700	
joze	3509.5	1	9.09090	0.30000		trom	4268.8	1	8.54550	0.33000	
karr	3530.8	1	9.09090	1.27000		urum	3186.1	1	9.09090	0.90000	
kely	2875.8	1	6.90910	0.33000		usud	3558.6	0	10.00000	0.35000	
kerp	3195.7	1	8.00000	0.30000		vesl	4339.1	11	0.00000	0.62000	
kiru	4158.8	1	8.90910	0.33000		vill	3370.8	1	9.09090	0.30000	
kosg	3555.3	6	4.54550	0.24000		whit	3292.5	0	9.63640	0.33000	
kour	2795.9	2	7.27270	0.30000		wsrt	3552.5	1	9.0909	0.3700	
lhas	3118.3	4	6.36360	0.37000		wtzr	3630.5	1	9.09090	0.24000	
lpgs	3129.3	1	8.90910	0.35000		wuhn	3355.0	2	6.36360	0.41000	
mac1	3481.4	1	8.90910	0.37000		yell	3402.7	0	9.27270	0.24000	
madr	3255.4	0	10.00000	0.9700		yssk	3619.9	0	10.00000	1.39000	
mag0	3653.3	0	10.00000	0.78000		zeck	3563.5	10	0.90910	0.58000	
mali	3171.3	0	9.63640	1.29000		zimm	3510.9	1	9.09090	0.37000	
mas1	2809.3	11	0.00000	0.24000		zwen	3750.4	1	8.54550	0.24000	
mate	3332.7	1	7.81820	0.30000							

Table 6.5: 95 Best Stations for cycle 8, which were selected from 208 ITRF2000 stations according to Algorithm 1

site Id	daily DDobs	Quality		coordinates	accuracy	site Id	daily DDobs	Quality		coordinates	accuracy
		N.A.	daily					N.A.	daily		
algo	3216.6	0	10.00000	0.30000		mcm4	4437.5	1	4.90910	0.33000	
alic	3631.5	0	9.09090	1.24000		mdvo	3106.7	1	6.3636	0.3700	
artu	3435.3	0	9.09090	0.71000		met5	3709.4	0	8.90910	0.24000	
ascl	2466.5	2	8.18180	0.46000		mkea	2322.4	0	9.81820	0.30000	
auck	3281.6	0	9.63640	0.30000		nico	3181.1	0	9.09090	0.58000	
bahr	3166.2	0	8.90910	0.35000		noum	3226.5	3	7.09090	0.66000	
bili	1748.8	8	2.54550	12.44000		nrc1	3248.9	0	10.00000	0.37000	
bor1	3116.9	0	9.09090	0.30000		ntus	3629.0	0	9.09090	0.92000	
brmu	2791.5	0	10.00000	0.30000		nyal	4166.5	0	5.81820	0.42000	
casl	4394.5	0	6.36360	0.37000		nyal	4145.6	0	7.2727	0.3300	
cedu	3036.6	1	8.18180	1.50000		onsa	3560.1	0	9.09090	0.24000	
chat	3318.4	0	9.81820	0.30000		pert	3442.7	0	9.09090	0.30000	
chur	3212.5	0	9.63640	0.37000		pimo	2455.5	0	7.81820	1.08000	
coco	3370.9	0	9.09090	0.46000		pol2	3033.4	0	8.90910	0.30000	
crol	2950.7	1	9.09090	0.24000		pots	3381.9	0	9.09090	0.24000	
dav1	3933.3	1	6.18180	0.33000		ramo	3174.6	2	7.27270	1.17000	
ebre	3223.9	1	8.18180	0.44000		reyk	3871.6	0	8.90910	0.24000	
eisl	1634.4	0	7.81820	0.30000		riog	2275.3	7	3.63640	0.54000	
fair	3046.2	0	7.45450	0.24000		sant	3362.5	0	9.81820	0.30000	
fort	2066.8	1	6.54550	0.30000		sch2	3306.8	0	10.00000	0.54000	
gala	3079.7	0	10.00000	0.64000		sey1	1523.6	0	5.81820	1.30000	
glsv	3434.3	1	8.18180	0.84000		soll	3097.1	0	9.45450	0.37000	
goug	2902.7	8	2.54550	1.27000		stjo	3502.0	0	10.00000	0.24000	
graz	3216.8	1	8.00000	0.30000		suth	3166.6	0	9.09090	0.78000	
guam	2518.8	0	9.09090	0.35000		suwn	3144.9	1	8.72730	0.98000	
hers	3292.6	1	7.81820	0.51000		syog	4154.1	1	7.81820	0.79000	
hob2	3564.5	0	9.09090	0.30000		thti	3116.4	4	6.36360	0.52000	
hofn	3817.5	0	8.72730	0.59000		tidb	3459.0	0	9.09090	0.30000	
joze	3383.6	0	9.09090	0.30000		tixi	3981.2	0	8.90910	1.24000	
karr	3608.5	0	9.09090	1.27000		tow2	3471.0	0	9.63640	1.19000	
kely	3360.6	0	8.72730	0.33000		tro1	4088.4	0	8.9091	0.9700	
kerp	3473.8	4	4.90910	0.30000		trom	4109.8	0	8.90910	0.33000	
kiru	3921.1	0	9.09090	0.33000		usud	3087.3	0	10.00000	0.35000	
kokb	2467.2	0	10.00000	0.30000		vesl	1906.4	11	0.00000	0.62000	
kosg	3391.5	0	9.0909	0.2400		vill	3277.0	0	9.09090	0.30000	
kour	3481.1	1	8.36360	0.30000		whit	3160.6	0	9.81820	0.33000	
mac1	3585.4	0	9.09090	0.37000		wsrt	3398.6	0	9.09090	0.37000	
madr	3178.1	0	9.0909	0.9700		wtzr	3252.4	0	8.90910	0.24000	
mag0	3162.9	0	10.00000	0.78000		yell	3298.3	0	9.45450	0.24000	
mali	3195.2	0	8.72730	1.29000		yssk	3150.6	0	10.00000	1.39000	
mas1	3200.2	10	0.90910	0.24000		zeck	3314.9	9	1.81820	0.58000	
mate	3158.5	0	8.00000	0.30000		zimm	3306.1	2	7.27270	0.37000	
maw1	4245.5	0	8.36360	0.88000		zwen	3459.7	0	8.54550	0.24000	

Table 6.6: 86 Best Stations for cycle 9, which were selected from 208 ITRF2000 stations according to Algorithm 1

site ld	daily DDobs	Quality		coordinates	accuracy	site ld	daily DDobs	Quality		coordinates	accuracy
		N.A.	daily					N.A.	daily		
algo	3461.0	1	8.72730	0.30000		maw1	4449.6	1	7.27270	0.88000	
alic	3544.8	1	8.72730	1.24000		mcm4	4661.4	1	5.45450	0.33000	
amc2	3066.6	1	8.54550	1.64000		mdvo	3032.1	1	6.3636	0.3700	
artu	3396.4	1	8.36360	0.71000		mets	3670.8	1	8.54550	0.24000	
ascl	2363.1	2	8.18180	0.46000		mkea	2585.3	1	8.54550	0.30000	
auck	3220.0	1	8.72730	0.30000		nico	3206.5	1	8.36360	0.58000	
bahr	3105.3	1	8.72730	0.35000		nklg	3117.0	1	8.54550	1.14000	
bili	3624.7	1	7.81820	12.44000		noum	3114.1	5	5.45450	0.66000	
borl	3181.9	1	8.72730	0.30000		nrc1	3507.7	1	8.72730	0.37000	
brmu	2427.4	3	6.90910	0.30000		ntus	3534.5	1	8.72730	0.92000	
cas1	4509.1	1	5.81820	0.37000		nyal	1572.0	2	5.8182	0.4200	
cedu	3138.5	1	8.54550	1.50000		nyal	4325.7	1	6.72730	0.33000	
chat	3279.4	1	8.72730	0.30000		onsa	3705.7	1	8.72730	0.24000	
chur	3409.3	1	7.27270	0.37000		pert	3425.5	1	8.54550	0.30000	
coco	3340.5	1	8.54550	0.46000		pimo	2584.6	2	6.72730	1.08000	
cro1	3165.8	1	8.72730	0.24000		pots	3540.0	1	8.72730	0.24000	
daej	3037.2	1	6.72730	0.81000		prds	3127.4	1	8.72730	0.81000	
davl	3937.7	2	6.00000	0.33000		ramo	3138.4	2	7.63640	1.17000	
ebre	3381.7	1	8.72730	0.44000		reyk	4029.2	1	8.00000	0.24000	
fair	3117.4	1	6.00000	0.24000		riog	3541.6	1	8.90910	0.54000	
fort	1982.7	2	6.18180	0.30000		sant	3191.1	1	8.36360	0.30000	
gala	3229.7	1	8.72730	0.64000		sch2	3488.8	1	8.36360	0.54000	
glsv	3403.8	1	8.72730	0.84000		sey1	1595.1	1	5.27270	1.30000	
goug	2783.7	2	7.63640	1.27000		soll	3285.8	1	8.54550	0.37000	
graz	3226.1	1	8.54550	0.30000		stjo	3683.7	1	8.72730	0.24000	
guam	2740.2	1	8.00000	0.35000		suth	3040.1	1	8.72730	0.78000	
hers	3438.3	1	8.72730	0.51000		syog	3924.7	2	6.72730	0.79000	
hob2	3525.5	1	8.72730	0.30000		thti	3105.2	2	7.81820	0.52000	
hofn	3777.4	1	7.81820	0.59000		thu1	1963.1	4	4.90910	0.33000	
joze	3421.0	1	8.72730	0.30000		tidb	3388.4	1	8.72730	0.30000	
karr	3165.6	2	7.45450	1.27000		tixi	3932.1	1	6.72730	1.24000	
kely	2225.8	3	5.27270	0.33000		tow2	3366.4	1	8.72730	1.19000	
kerp	3380.2	1	7.27270	0.30000		tro1	4163.0	1	7.81820	0.97000	
kiru	4080.5	1	8.18180	0.33000		trom	3625.7	2	6.9091	0.3300	
kokb	2670.8	1	8.54550	0.30000		usna	3023.8	1	8.1818	0.5400	
kosg	3568.1	2	7.8182	0.2400		vill	3134.0	1	8.1818	0.3000	
kour	3862.2	1	8.72730	0.30000		whit	3365.7	1	8.54550	0.33000	
mac1	3676.6	1	8.00000	0.37000		wsrt	3600.0	1	8.72730	0.37000	
madr	3230.0	1	8.72730	0.97000		wtzr	3503.7	1	8.72730	0.24000	
mag0	3104.4	1	8.18180	0.78000		yell	3481.1	1	7.45450	0.24000	
mali	3234.2	1	8.18180	1.29000		zeck	3277.3	4	6.36360	0.58000	
mas1	3135.5	9	1.81820	0.24000		zimm	3477.0	2	8.18180	0.37000	
mate	3286.7	1	8.00000	0.30000		zwen	3467.2	1	8.54550	0.24000	

Table 6.7: 86 Best Stations for cycle 10, which were selected from 208 ITRF2000 stations according to Algorithm 1

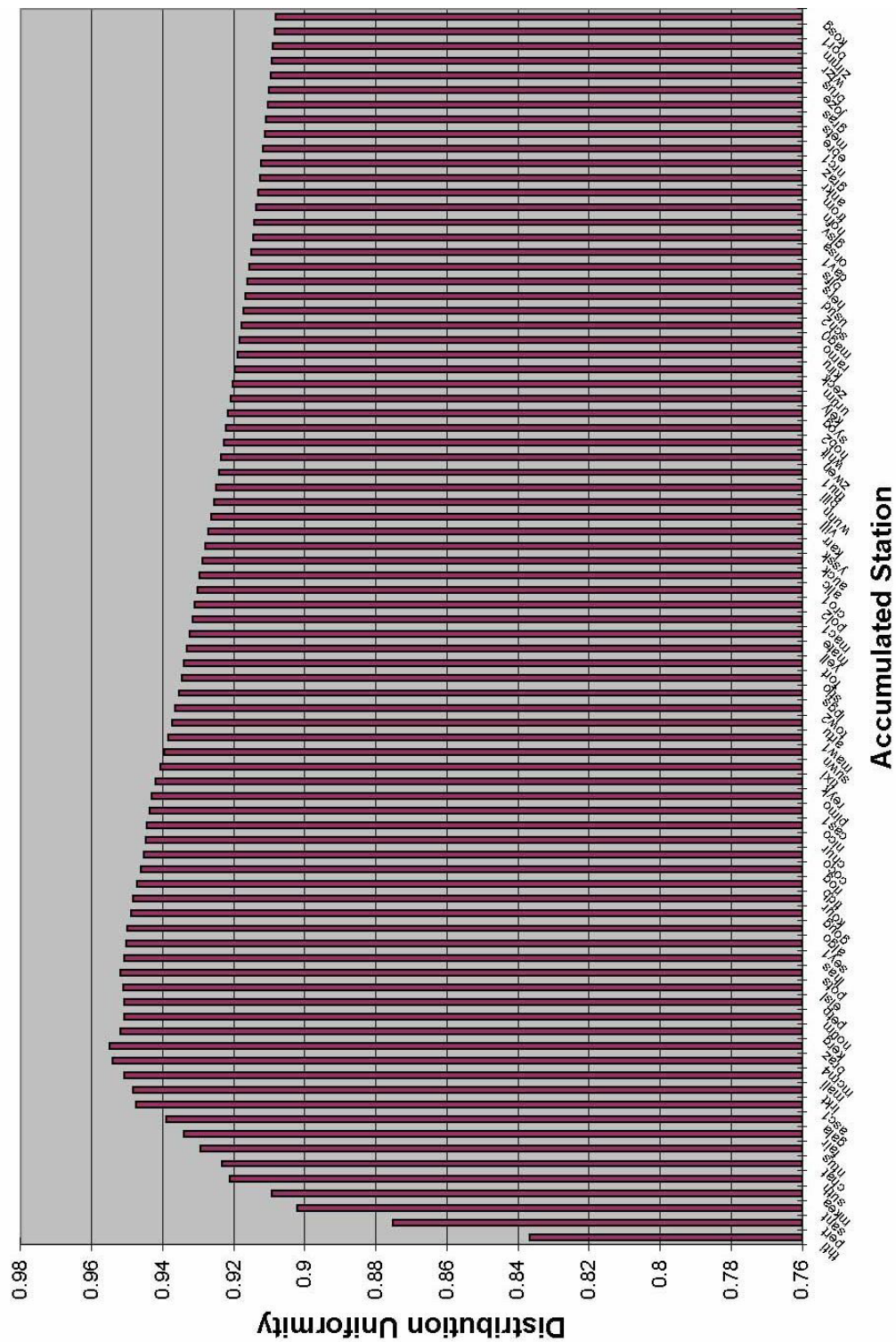
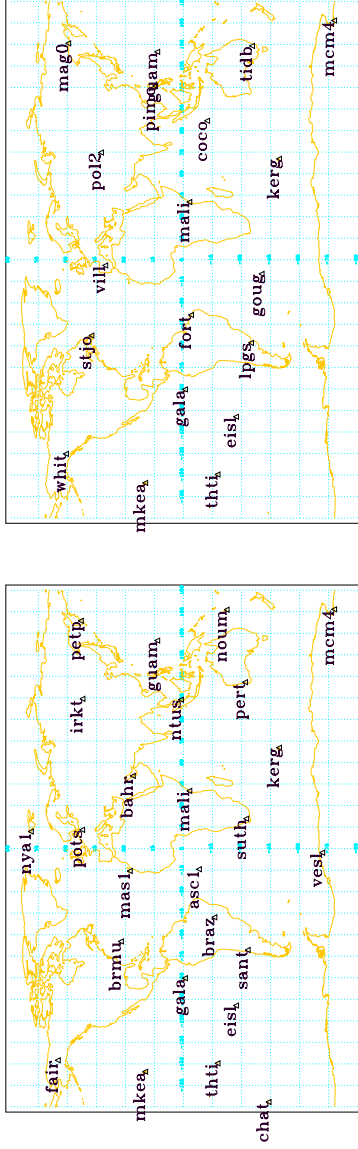
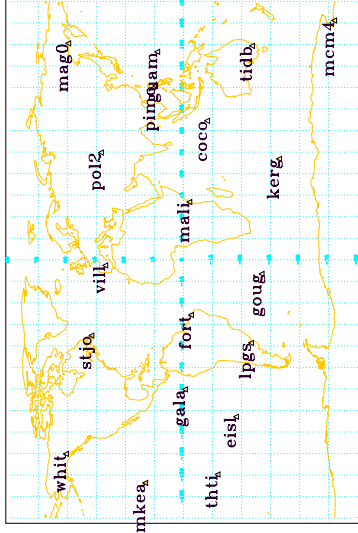


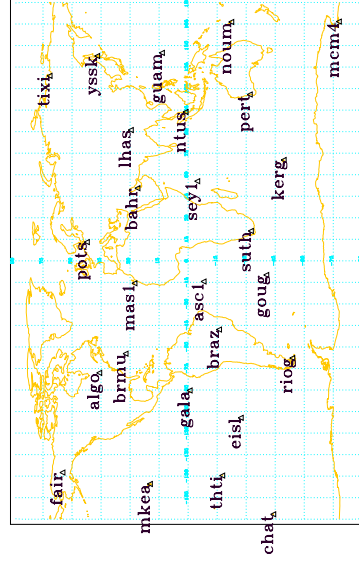
Figure 6.6: Distribution Uniformity (u) of each Accumulated Station Set for Cycle 8. Set **C8-fidu1** is defined as a set accumulated up to **pots** starting from the **fidu1** set, which is composed of nyal, vesl, brmu, mas1, bahr, and guam. Uniformity reaches its maximum with 20~30 accumulated stations. Uniformity with other fiducial station sets or other cycles shows the same pattern.



(a) Set **C8-fidu1** (25 stations, $u = 0.952$)

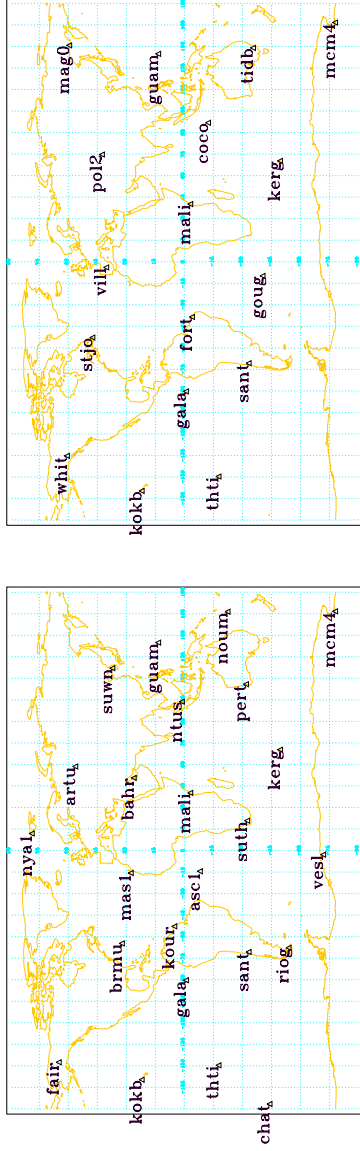


(b) Set **C8-fidu2** (19 stations, $u = 0.950$)

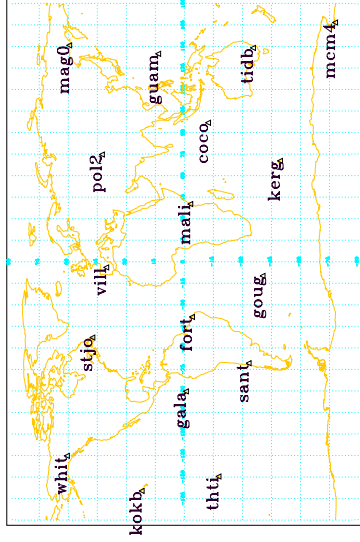


(c) Set **C8-fidu3** (26 stations, $u = 0.951$)

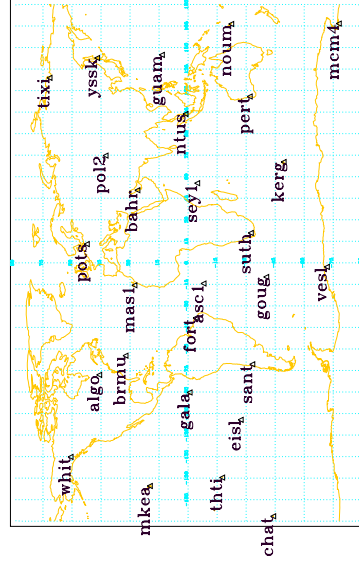
Figure 6.7: Optimal Sets for cycle 8. Set **C8-fidu1** (fiducial = nyal, vesl, brmu, masl, bahr, guam), Set **C8-fidu2** (fiducial = mag0, pol2, stj, tidb, thti, goug), and Set **C8-fidu3** (fiducial = algo, pots, brmu, tixi, thti, goug, guam). Note that all three sets have nearly the same uniformity measure.



(a) Set **C9-fidu1** (24 stations, $u = 0.952$)

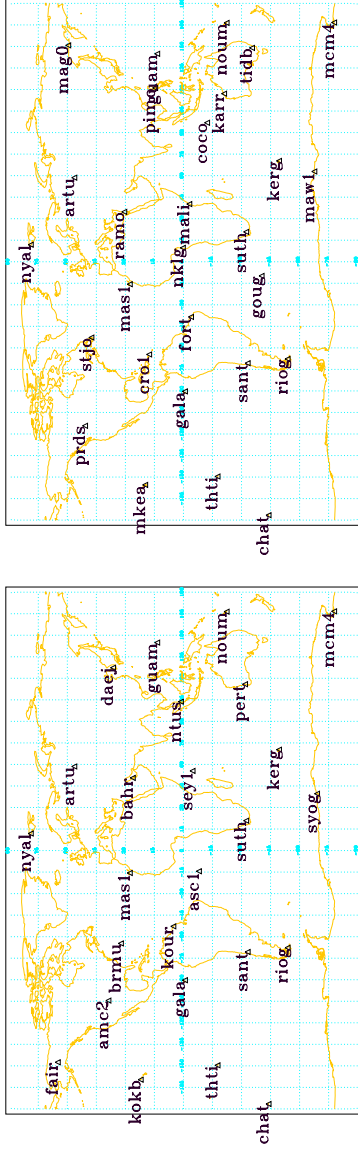


(b) Set **C9-fidu2** (17 stations, $u = 0.955$)



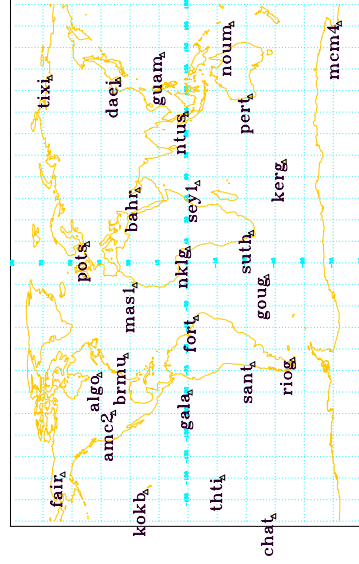
(c) Set **C9-fidu3** (27 stations, $u = 0.950$)

Figure 6.8: Optimal Sets for cycle 9. Set **C9-fidu1** (fiducial=nyal,vesl,brmu,masl,bahr,guam.), Set **C9-fidu2** (fiducial=mag0,pol2,stjo,tidb,thti,goug.), and Set **C9-fidu3** (fiducial=algo,pots,brmu,tixi,thti,goug,guam.). Note that Set **C9-fidu2** has the highest uniformity, yet requires only 17 stations.



(a) Set **C10-fidu1**(25 stations, $u = 0.957$)

(b) Set **C10-fidu2**(28 stations, $u = 0.945$)



(c) Set **C10-fidu3**(26 stations, $u = 0.950$)

Figure 6.9: Optimal Sets for cycle 10. Set **C10-fidu1** (fiducial = nyal, syog, brmu, masl, bahr, guam.), Set **C10-fidu2** (fiducial = mag0, artu, stjo, tidb, thti, goug.), and Set **C10-fidu3** (fiducial = algo, pots, brmu, tixi, thti, goug, guam.)

and coordinates accuracy are selected. For cycle 10, **vesl** was replaced by **syog** for **fidu1**, and **pol2** was replaced by **artu** for **fidu2**, since **vesl** and **pol2** are not included in best stations of cycle 10 (see Table 6.7).

Starting with these three different fiducial set, each station out of the best stations producing the maximal uniformity was accumulated following Algorithm 2. Figure 6.6 shows the distribution uniformity for each accumulated set in order of accumulation starting from the **fidu1** set for cycle 8. It shows that the sets with only 20~30 accumulated stations (including fiducial stations) reach the approximate maximal distribution uniformity. The uniformity of the accumulated sets with different fiducial sets followed the same pattern. Cycles 9 and 10 also showed the same uniformity-changing pattern with the accumulation of stations. This implies that, in terms of the distribution uniformity, the optimal number of stations in a set may range from 20 to 30 regardless of the selection of fiducial stations.

Finally, the optimal station sets accumulated starting from each fiducial sets are shown in Figures 6.7, 6.8 and 6.9 for cycle 8, 9 and 10 respectively.

6.3 Orbit improvement with new tracking station sets and Summary

The Nominal Set is a subset of 51 IGS00 stations with high quality positions/velocities. Many of the 51 IGS00 stations are equipped with more

than one geodetic instrument³ per site. More observing techniques generally provide better accuracy as well as a better integrity with the help of accurate tie information between the geodetic instruments. Thus, the 43 stations of the Nominal Set have high quality coordinates, but are not well-distributed.

On the other hand, the stations of the optimal sets were chosen out of 208 ITRF2000 stations by considering mostly the uniformity of distribution in mind. More than half of the stations in any optimal set do not belong to IGS00, and several stations located in remote regions are included in the optimal sets to maximize the uniformity of distribution of optimal sets, although their coordinate qualities are relatively low.

Table 6.9 shows the comparison of GPS-only orbits from the Nominal Set and three optimal station sets. The subarc length of 3 hours for estimation of the CT parameter and 9 hours for estimation of 1-cpr T & N parameters were applied for the orbit solutions (see **Case sub1.5-4.5** in Table 4.12(a)). For cycle 8, the crossover residuals (Mean=5.6 mm, RMS=6.24 cm) of the orbit from the Nominal Set are better than the orbits from the optimal sets. However, for cycle 9 and 10, the statistics of orbits from the Nominal Set and the optimal sets appear to be very close. Considering that the number of stations in the optimal sets are just half of the number of stations in the Nominal Set, and that individual station's quality in the optimal sets are not

³Each station of ITRF2000 uses geodetic techniques such as VLBI, SLR, GPS and DORIS. According to <http://lareg.ensg.ign.fr/ITRF>, 70 stations of ITRF2000 are collocated with 2 geodetic techniques, 25 stations of ITRF2000 are collocated with 3 geodetic techniques, and 6 stations of ITRF2000 are collocated with 4 geodetic techniques.

better than individual station's quality in the Nominal Set, it may indicate that the uniform distribution of optimal station sets contributed inertial centering to the orbit solutions preventing them from being worse. However, the fact that the orbits from the optimal sets are not significantly better than the orbits from the Nominal Set implies that not only uniformity of distribution is an important factor to improve the orbit accuracy, but the quality of the individual station is also an important factor to consider in choosing the station set.

case	Internal Consistency				SLR residuals(>70°)		crossover residuals	
	R	T	N	RSS	Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
cycle 8:								
Nominal Set	8.2	17.9	12.0	23.8	-.2	7.6	3.9	61.2
Set C8-fidu1	9.2	19.7	12.4	26.0	.8	7.0	7.0	61.3
Set C8-fidu2	8.9	18.7	12.8	25.3	.4	7.1	7.1	61.4
Set C8-fidu3	9.4	19.6	12.0	25.9	.6	7.4	6.5	61.3
cycle 9:								
Nominal Set	13.3	29.1	9.2	33.6	-3.7	10.9	3.6	58.9
Set C9-fidu1	13.3	28.8	9.1	33.3	-3.2	10.5	4.3	58.9
Set C9-fidu2	13.0	28.7	9.1	33.2	-3.5	10.3	3.5	59.0
Set C9-fidu3	13.1	29.4	9.2	33.8	-3.4	10.6	3.8	58.9
cycle 10:								
Nominal Set	10.7	20.7	10.1	25.5	-5.7	10.0	-1.6	59.2
Set C10-fidu1	10.1	19.6	9.8	24.3	-4.6	8.8	1.0	59.1
Set C10-fidu2	13.0	28.7	9.1	33.2	-4.8	8.8	1.0	59.2
Set C10-fidu3	10.5	20.1	10.1	24.9	-4.5	8.8	.8	59.1

Table 6.8: Orbit Improvement for Mixed Orbits: SLR and crossover residuals

case	Internal Consistency				SLR residuals(>70°)		crossover residuals	
	R	T	N	RSS	Mean	RMS	Mean	RMS
cycle 8:								
Nominal Set	14.5	30.0	12.5	36.0	.0	9.4	5.6	62.4
Set C8-fidu1	14.8	30.2	14.2	36.9	1.7	8.1	12.1	64.2
Set C8-fidu2	14.5	29.4	14.0	36.0	1.0	8.9	11.4	63.6
Set C8-fidu3	15.2	30.4	14.1	37.3	1.4	9.2	12.3	64.0
cycle 9:								
Nominal Set	16.0	36.5	9.3	41.2	-4.0	13.9	6.8	61.2
Set C9-fidu1	15.7	35.5	9.8	40.3	-3.8	14.1	7.3	61.2
Set C9-fidu2	15.8	36.8	10.2	41.6	-4.4	14.0	5.9	61.3
Set C9-fidu3	16.2	38.3	9.9	43.0	-4.3	14.3	6.0	61.0
cycle 10:								
Nominal Set	13.1	24.6	9.9	29.9	-7.5	13.8	5.9	61.5
Set C10-fidu1	13.3	24.2	9.5	29.4	-7.6	13.6	7.3	61.8
Set C10-fidu2	13.0	24.0	10.1	29.2	-8.1	13.7	7.1	61.8
Set C10-fidu3	13.6	24.2	9.8	29.7	-7.2	13.7	6.8	61.7

Table 6.9: Orbit Improvement for GPS-only Orbits: SLR and crossover residuals

Table 6.8 shows the comparison of SLR/DORIS/GPS orbits from the Nominal Set and the three optimal station sets. In Table 6.8 from GPS tracking combined with SLR/DORIS, the orbits from the Nominal Set and the optimal sets show less difference than in Table 6.9 mainly because of the contribution of SLR to the orbit centering. To see the influence of the distribution uniformity of the optimal station set on the orbit improvement, an extended investigation with more cycles and with more broad range of criteria of station qualities will be needed. At this point, it appears that we can only conclude that the optimal station selection provides almost the same orbit performance as the nominal selection, but generally requires fewer stations than the nominal selection in the process.

Chapter 7

Conclusions

7.1 Summary and Conclusions

In this study, the three tracking data types, SLR, DORIS and GPS, of Jason-1 for cycles 8 - 20 were processed either simultaneously or separately. The orbits of 30-hour arcs were integrated daily with 3-hour extension on both ends for the overlap test purpose. Then, each full cycle's orbits were obtained by merging the middle 24-hour arcs of the daily orbits. For the performance assessment of each orbit solution, the altimeter crossover data test and the SLR residual test were conducted as well as the overlap test for the internal consistency check. An external test with orbits from other institutes was also performed to compare the solutions from different approaches of each software with different combinations of measurement types.

One of the objectives of this research was to seek optimal models and parameterizations to get the best orbit solution by using GPS-only data or combined data in the dynamic approach. To achieve the most precise orbits that these tracking data could support, three areas required refinement; 1) the parameters related to the Center of Mass (CoM) or antenna phase center, 2) the empirical acceleration parameters to accommodate the surface force model

errors, and 3) the parameters related to the orbit element correction of GPS satellites.

First, the parameters related to the location of the antenna phase centers were estimated because of their contribution to the orbit improvement. Early analysis of Jason-1 tracking indicated likely errors in either the location of CoM, the antenna phase centers or both. Estimates of the phase center offset from different orbit analysis centers using different tracking data were compared to see whether there is an actual CoM error common to each measurement's tracking antenna or whether the shift of the phase center is peculiar to the GPS antenna alone. Because the estimated phase center offsets in the x-axis for both the LRA and the GPS antenna appeared to be the same - approximately 13 mm, it is far more likely that the estimated shift in the x-axis reflects an error in the nominal value for the CoM of the satellite rather than a phase center error in both antennas. In contrast, there was no observable bias along the z-axis for the LRA, implying that the GPS L_C phase center location was offset from its true location by 34 mm. The new CoM location with respect to the reference point was estimated to be (955, 0, 0) mm at CSR. The new phase center location of the GPS antenna relative to the new CoM location estimated at CSR was (1434, -218, -538) mm. Furthermore, the orbits with the estimation of the z-directional change of the GPS phase center offset performed best in the low fixed yaw regime. For the sinusoidal yaw regime, the x- and z-directional changes of the GPS phase center offset had to be estimated simultaneously.

Second, the optimal subarc length for the estimation of empirical parameters was investigated. Finding an optimal frequency for the estimation of empirical acceleration parameters is very important to obtain an orbit solution with better accuracy. One of the benefits that the GPS data can provide for POD is its dense and homogeneous tracking capability, and with the dense observation set, a heavier level of parameterization is possible to accommodate the force model errors. The GPS-only orbit solutions using a subarc length of 3 hours for the estimation of CT and 9 hours for the 1-cpr T & N parameters performed best with a crossover RMS of 6.01 (± 0.2) cm. The magnitudes of the crossover Means of cycle 11, 12, 16, 19 and 20 for GPS-only orbits were persistently larger than 1 cm regardless of the subarc length, which indicates that the orbits with GPS-only tracking are not well centered inertially especially for short terms. However, the averaged value of the crossover Means over cycles 8 to 20 was 0.06 cm, which indicates that they are well centered in the mean sense. The short-term instability of orbit centering for several cycles was also observed in SLR/DORIS orbits, which implies that the accuracy of the altimeter data for those cycles might be deteriorated. The averaged value of the SLR residual RMSs was 1.3 (± 0.3) cm for the GPS-only orbits, which is an excellent result as a measure of the absolute radial orbit accuracy considering that the SLR data was not used to obtain the orbit.

When all three data types were used, it was possible to improve the results a little more. The optimal subarc lengths for the estimation of the empirical force parameters with the combined measurement system were de-

terminated to be 3 hours for the estimation of CT and 6 hours for the estimation of 1-cpr T & N parameters, which were further shortened compared to the optimal subarc lengths of the GPS-only orbits due to the mutual support from each tracking system. However, the results of the crossover test and the SLR residual test of the combined orbits were not so sensitive to the subarc lengths in the range between 3 hours and 15 hours for the estimation of empirical parameters. The averaged crossover RMSs over the cycles of the combined orbits was $5.87(\pm 0.22)$ cm. The crossover Means, which are indicators of the orbit centering, were in the range of $-1 \sim -2$ mm for the combined orbits. Their standard deviation (~ 7 mm) from cycle to cycle is smaller than the standard deviation (~ 10 mm) of cycles from the GPS-only orbits, which indicates that the orbits with combined measurement types are more stable in the sense of the orbit centering due to the SLR tracking. However, other tests also indicate that the DORIS data was not helpful in the orbit centering. The SLR residual RMSs of the combined orbits were less than 1 cm, even when the orbits of days 117 and 141 with the occurrence of tracking weakness were included. This is a very promising result to reach the goal of 1-cm radial orbit RMS error, since the SLR residual RMS is an absolute measure of the orbit accuracy.

Third, the GPS orbit element correction method was introduced to absorb the remaining orbit errors in the ephemerides of the GPS satellites by considering them as an empirical correction to the fixed GPS orbits provided by IGS. The correction of GPS satellite orbit elements rarely showed any orbit performance improvement. This implies that the orbit element correction

method is not sufficient to accommodate the remaining orbit errors in the ephemerides of the GPS satellites, or that the errors are now small enough not to have a significant impact on the orbit accuracy.

Fourth, to choose the best gravity model for the Jason-1 POD, out of 1) JGM-3, 2) EGM96, 3) TEG4 and 4) a preliminary GRACE gravity model, orbits from each gravity model were compared. Out of the four gravity models compared, orbits from the preliminary GRACE gravity model clearly outperformed the orbits from other gravity models in both aspects of the crossover test and the SLR residual test. Their averaged crossover RMS over the cycles was $5.83(\pm 0.23)$ cm, which was reduced modestly, when compared to the averaged crossover RMS of the orbits from JGM3, $5.87(\pm 0.21)$ cm. Their averaged crossover Mean was $-0.2(\pm 4.7)$ mm, which was better than $-0.7(\pm 4.9)$ mm of the orbits from JGM3.

The essential work of this dissertation, as presented in Chapter 5, was to explore the sensitivity of the orbit to changes in the relative weighting of each measurement type, to seek the optimal relative weighting of each measurement type, and to determine which combination of measurement types produced the best orbits. Jason-1 is the first platform to produce long term high precision data from three high quality tracking instruments. The GPS receiver on T/P had several limitations, the DORIS was not as precise as that flown on Jason-1 and the large LRA on T/P tended to introduce biases in the SLR data. The a priori sigmas sought for an optimal relative weighting for each measurement type were 25 cm for GPS and 2 mm/s for DORIS, when 10 cm for SLR was

adopted. We found that the weight for GPS was relatively insensitive between 15 and 35 cm. For the orbit solutions with the optimal relative weightings, the crossover RMS was 5.86 cm, the crossover Mean was -1.6 mm, and the SLR residual RMS was 0.91 cm. Upweighting DORIS degraded the orbit accuracy, implying that orbits from the combination of SLR and GPS without DORIS may perform better than orbits from combination of all three measurement types. In fact, except for the duration when GPS tracking is not adequate, DORIS appeared to be redundant or even degrade orbit centering when it was combined with GPS and SLR, if given too much weight. For all of the test cases with or without a combination of measurement types, the crossover Means ranged between 0 mm and -2 mm, the crossover RMSs ranged between 5.9 cm and 6.0 cm, and SLR residual RMSs ranged between 0.9 cm and 1.3 cm. The SLR residual RMSs from GPS-only orbits, and from orbits combined with GPS and DORIS were 1.3 cm and 1.2 cm respectively, which appear quite promising even without inclusion of SLR.

The orbits from UT/CSR were compared with the external orbits from other institutes such as CNES, DEOS, NASA/GSFC, and NASA/JPL. Both the altimeter crossover test and the SLR residual test show that CSR's and NASA's SLR/DORIS orbits were very close to each other, and in general, their orbits performed better than CNES's and DEOS's. Among the orbit solutions with the dynamic approach, CSR's two combined orbit solutions, **csr1** and **csr2**, performed best. Orbits **csr1** were processed by combining GPS and SLR systems, and Orbits **csr2** were processed by combining GPS, SLR and

DORIS systems. Among the orbit solutions with the reduced-dynamic approach, the orbits from JPL (**jpl**) with GPS-only system performed best. The crossover Means of **csr1**, **csr2** and **jpl** were $-0.7(\pm 4.9)$ mm, $-1.9(\pm 7.0)$ mm and $-0.7(\pm 6.9)$ mm respectively. The crossover RMSs of **csr1**, **csr2** and **jpl** were $5.87(\pm 0.21)$ cm, $5.85(\pm 0.21)$ cm and $5.87(\pm 0.19)$ cm respectively. The SLR residual RMSs of **csr1**, **csr2** and **jpl** were $0.87(\pm 0.21)$ cm, $0.90(\pm 0.18)$ cm and $1.10(\pm 0.30)$ cm respectively. Overall, in the dynamic approach, the combination of GPS and SLR appears to be the best combined systems.

In Chapter 6, a quantitative method for selecting the best performing and geographically well-distributed station network was developed, and the orbits from the optimal networks were compared to the orbits from the nominal network of approximately 43 stations. For the Jason-1 POD with GPS tracking data, tracking from the well-distributed and best-performing 20 to 30 GPS stations appeared to be sufficient. The optimal sets, which were obtained by applying the distribution uniformity measure of the network and each station's performance quality to 208 ITRF2000 stations, are usually composed of 20 - 30 stations. More tracking stations do not necessarily guarantee an orbit solution with better accuracy. The orbits from the optimal network appear to show no significant improvement over the orbits from the nominal network; however, they did not significantly underperform the orbits from the nominal network either. Considering that nominal network was composed of 43 best-performing stations compared to about 20 stations of the optimal network, it indicate that a uniform distribution of high performance station sets can produce a good

result with significantly less data and processing time.

7.2 Suggested Future Work

In order to meet the goal of the 1-cm radial RMS of Jason-1 orbit accuracy, many aspects of the dynamic and kinematic models used in the estimation process require optimization. For LEO POD in general, while gravity models are rapidly improving from the efforts made over the previous decade and now with the GRACE mission, non-conservative surface forces are becoming the largest source of satellite orbit errors. For Jason-1 in a higher altitude, drag became less important, while solar radiation pressure becomes increasingly important compared to gravity. In recent years, most of the research on solar radiation pressure has concentrated on empirical modeling. The empirical parameters tend to absorb the model error of solar radiation pressure as well as all of the other unmodeled forces, many of which are non-conservative and may be correlated with each other. Accounting analytically for solar radiation pressure as accurately as possible might free up the burden of the empirical parameters in order to improve the orbit solution. However, little work has been done to improve the accuracy of the solar radiation model for Jason-1. The model of Ziebart *et al.* [2002], one of the surface models for Jason-1, will be worth evaluating.

Estimation of the phase center offsets has become a standard operating procedure in POD because of its clear contribution to the orbit performance improvement. However, little study on the nature of the phase center change

of the GPS antenna in space has been done. Better understanding of the phase center offsets may improve the orbit accuracy. For short terms such as one cycle, GPS orbit centering was sometimes found to be inadequate. To improve this, more accurate modeling or optimized parameterization will be required. To see the influence of the distribution uniformity of the optimal station set on the orbit improvement, only 3 cycles were processed in this study, which were not enough to fully evaluate the effect of the optimal station network on the orbit improvement. An extended investigation with more cycles, exploring the effect of the geographical distribution uniformity of the network and each station's performance quality with varying thresholds, will be needed.

For the future altimetry mission, both SLR and GPS tracking systems are strongly recommended for the POD purpose.

Appendices

Appendix A

Gravitational Force Models and Measurement Models

The equations of motion of a near-Earth satellite with respect to the J2000 geocentric inertial frame can be expressed as:

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = \vec{a}_g + \vec{a}_{non} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where \vec{r} is the position of the center of mass of the satellite, \vec{a}_g is the sum of the gravitational perturbations acting on the satellite, and \vec{a}_{non} is the sum of the non-gravitational perturbations acting on the satellite.

A.1 Gravitational Perturbations

The gravitational perturbations composed of the perturbations from the Earth, the other bodies such as the Sun, Moon, and other planets and the general relativity effect.

$$\vec{a}_g = \vec{P}_{geo} + \vec{P}_{stides} + \vec{P}_{otides} + \vec{P}_{rotdef} + \vec{P}_{Nbody} + \vec{P}_{rel} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where \vec{P}_{geo} is the perturbations due to the geopotential of the Earth, \vec{P}_{stides} is the perturbations due to the solid Earth tides, \vec{P}_{otides} is the perturbations due

to the ocean tides, \vec{P}_{rotdef} is the perturbations due to the rotational deformation, \vec{P}_{Nbody} is the perturbations due to the Sun, moon and other planets, and \vec{P}_{rel} is the perturbations due to the general relativity effect.

A.1.1 Earth Geopotential

The perturbing force on a satellite due to the geopotential of the Earth can be expressed as the gradient of a potential function, U , which satisfies the Laplace equation, $\nabla^2 U = 0$. The potential function U composes of the potential due to the non-spherical solid mass distribution(U_s), the potential change due to the solid-body tides(ΔU_{stides}), the potential change due to the ocean tides(ΔU_{otides}), and the potential change due to the rotational deformations(ΔU_{rotdef}). So, by using the potential function, the force on the unit mass on the near of Earth can be also expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla U &= \nabla(U_s + \Delta U_{stides} + \Delta U_{otides} + \Delta U_{rotdef}) \\ &= \vec{P}_{geo} + \vec{P}_{stides} + \vec{P}_{otides} + \vec{P}_{rotdef}\end{aligned}\tag{A.3}$$

The potential function for the non-spherical solid mass distribution of the Earth, U_s , can be expressed in terms of a spherical harmonic expansion with respect to a body-fixed reference frame as [Kaula, 1966]:

$$\begin{aligned}U_s(r, \phi, \lambda) &= \frac{GM_e}{r} + \\ &\quad \frac{GM_e}{r} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^l \left(\frac{a_e}{r}\right)^l \bar{P}_{lm}(\sin \phi) [\bar{C}_{lm} \cos m\lambda + \bar{S}_{lm} \sin m\lambda]\end{aligned}\tag{A.4}$$

where GM_e is the gravitational constant of the Earth; a_e is the mean equatorial radius of the Earth; \bar{C}_{lm} and \bar{S}_{lm} are the normalized spherical harmonic

coefficients of degree l and order m ; $\bar{P}_{lm}(\sin \phi)$ is the normalized associated Legendre function of degree l and order m ; r , ϕ , and λ are the radial distance from the center of the Earth, the geometric latitude, and the longitude of the satellite respectively. The terms of degree 1 such as \bar{C}_{10} , \bar{C}_{11} , and \bar{S}_{11} become zero, since the origin of the spherical coordinates coincides with the center of mass of the Earth. For the Jason-1 POD, the JGM-3 gravitational model [Tapley *et al.*, 1996] is used for the nominal orbits, and the coefficients up to degree and order 70 was used in the model. For the nominal orbits in this research, the GPS orbits were fixed to IGS orbits. However, to determine the GPS orbits simultaneously with the LEO orbit, the coefficients up to degree and order 12 are usually used.

A.1.2 Solid Earth Tides

The mass distribution or the shape of the Earth can be changed due to the gravitational attraction especially by the Sun and Moon, because the Earth is not a rigid body. The tidal generating potential which is the disturbing potential of a particle on the surface of the Earth can be expressed in terms of a spherical harmonics expansion in the geocentric body-fixed reference frame as [Casotto, 1989]:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_i &= g_i \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{a_e}{r_i} \right)^{l+1} P_l(\cos \psi_i) \\
 &= g_i \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^l \left(\frac{a_e}{r_i} \right)^{l+1} (2 - \delta_{0m}) \frac{(l-m)!}{(l+m)!} P_{lm}(\sin \phi) P_{lm}(\sin \phi) \cos m(\lambda - \lambda_i)
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.5}$$

where $g_i = GM_i/a_e$; GM_i are the gravitational constant of the i -th perturbing body, either the Sun or the Moon; r_i , ϕ_i , and λ_i are geocentric distance, latitude, and longitude of the i -th perturbing body; ϕ and λ are geographic latitude, and longitude of a particle on the Earth's surface; ψ_i is the geocentric angular distance between the i -th perturbing body and a particle on the Earth's surface; P_l is the Legendre polynomial; and, P_{lm} is the associated Legendre function.

Following Cartwright & Taylor [1971], the tidal generating potential can be transformed from the time domain to the frequency domain. Thus, the periodic temporal variations which induced from the solid Earth tide can be approximated using frequency dependent Love numbers to scale the tidal generating potential as [Wahr, 1981]:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U_{stides} = & \frac{GM_e}{a_e^2} \sum_{l=2}^{(3)} \sum_{m=0}^l \sum_{k(l,m)} H_k e^{i(\Theta_k + \chi_k)} K_k^0 \\ & \times \left[\left(\frac{a_e}{r} \right)^{l+1} Y_m^l(\phi, \lambda) + K_k^+ \left(\frac{a_e}{r} \right)^{l+3} Y_m^{l+2}(\phi, \lambda) \right] \quad (\text{A.6}) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$Y_m^l(\phi, \lambda) = (-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!}} P_{lm}(\sin \phi) e^{im\lambda} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

and $P_{lm}(\sin \phi)$ is the associated Legendre function of degree l and order m ; H_k is the frequency dependent tidal amplitude in meters; Θ_k and χ_k are the Doodson argument and phase correction for constituent k ; K_k^0 and K_k^+ are the Love numbers for constituent k ; and, r, λ and ϕ are the geocentric body fixed coordinates of the satellite. The summarization over $k(l, m)$ means that each

different l, m combination has a unique list of tidal frequencies k over which to sum. A more direct and practical approach in modeling the tide generating potential is to consider it as variations in the standard normalized geopotential coefficients \bar{C}_{nm} and \bar{S}_{nm} [Eanes *et al.*, 1983]:

$$\Delta \bar{C}_{lm} = \frac{(-1)^m}{a_E \sqrt{4\pi(2 - \delta_{0m})}} \sum_k K_k^0 H_k \begin{cases} \cos \Theta_k, & \text{l-m even} \\ \sin \Theta_k, & \text{l-m odd} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

$$\Delta \bar{S}_{lm} = \frac{(-1)^m}{a_E \sqrt{4\pi(2 - \delta_{0m})}} \sum_k K_k^0 H_k \begin{cases} -\sin \Theta_k, & \text{l-m even} \\ \cos \Theta_k, & \text{l-m odd} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

where δ_{0m} is the Kronecker delta. This way simplify the coding to compute the net acceleration due to the solid tide by incorporating directly into the geopotential.

A.1.3 Ocean Tides

The temporal variation of the free space geopotential induced from the ocean tide deformation may be computed by a surface integral of a thin layer of sea water over a sphere of radius a_e as [Eanes *et al.*, 1983]:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U_{otides} = & 4\pi G \rho_w a_e \sum_k \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^l \sum_{+}^{-} \frac{1 + k'_l}{2l + 1} \left(\frac{a_e}{r}\right)^{l+1} \\ & \times [C_{klm}^{\pm} \cos(\Theta_k \pm m\lambda) + S_{klm}^{\pm} \sin(\Theta_k \pm m\lambda)] P_{lm}(\sin \phi) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.10})$$

where ρ_w is the mean density of sea water; k is the ocean tide constituent index; k'_l is the load Love number of degree l ; C_{klm}^{\pm} and S_{klm}^{\pm} are the unnormalized prograde and retrograde tide coefficients; and, Θ_k is the Doodson argument for constituent k .

In the same manner as with the solid earth tides, the potential variations due to the ocean tides can be expressed as variations with the normalized geopotential coefficients \bar{C}_{nm} and \bar{S}_{nm} :

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\bar{C}_{lm} &= F_{lm} \sum_k A_{klm} \\ \Delta\bar{S}_{lm} &= F_{lm} \sum_k B_{klm}\end{aligned}\tag{A.11}$$

where F_{lm} , A_{klm} and B_{klm} are defined as

$$F_{lm} = 4\pi a_e^2 \rho_w \sqrt{\frac{(l+m)!}{(l-m)!(2l+1)(2-\delta_{0m})}} \left(\frac{1+k'_l}{2l+1}\right)\tag{A.12}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{klm} \\ B_{klm} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (C_{klm}^+ + C_{klm}^-) \\ (S_{klm}^+ - S_{klm}^-) \end{bmatrix} \cos \Theta_k + \begin{bmatrix} (S_{klm}^+ + S_{klm}^-) \\ (C_{klm}^+ - C_{klm}^-) \end{bmatrix} \sin \Theta_k\tag{A.13}$$

The ocean tide model used for this research is the CSR 3.0 ocean tide model [Eanes & Bettadpur, 1996].

A.1.4 Rotational Deformation

Rotational deformation accounts for variations in the geopotential coefficients due to polar motion. The generating potential for Earth's rotational deformation is the centrifugal potential. This centrifugal potential U_{cent} for a point on the Earth can be expressed by second degree spherical harmonics as [Lambeck, 1980]:

$$U_{cent} = \frac{1}{3}\omega^2 r^2 + \Delta U_{cent}\tag{A.14}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta U_{cent} = & \frac{r^2}{6}(\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2 - 2\omega_3^2)P_{20}(\sin \phi) \\
& - \frac{r^2}{3}(\omega_1\omega_3 \cos \lambda + \omega_2\omega_3 \sin \lambda)P_{21}(\sin \phi) \\
& + \frac{r^2}{12}[(\omega_2^2 - \omega_1^2) \cos 2\lambda - 2\omega_1\omega_2 \sin 2\lambda]P_{22}(\sin \phi)
\end{aligned} \tag{A.15}$$

where $\omega^2 = (\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2 + \omega_3^2)$, $\omega_1 = m_1\Omega$, $\omega_2 = m_2\Omega$, and $\omega_3 = (1 + m_3)\Omega$. Ω is the mean angular velocity of the Earth, m_i are small dimensionless quantities which are related to the polar motion and the Earth rotation parameters such as:

$$\begin{aligned}
m_1 &= x_p \\
m_2 &= -y_p \\
m_3 &= \frac{d(UT1 - TAI)}{d(TAI)}
\end{aligned} \tag{A.16}$$

where x_p, y_p are the polar motion coordinates in radian of the instantaneous rotation axis, with respect to the Conventional Terrestrial System. $\frac{d(UT1-TAI)}{d(TAI)}$ is the length of day.

The first term of Equation A.14 results in a small and purely radial deformation in the variation of the geopotential, which is negligible. The variation of the free space geopotential outside of the Earth due to the rotational deformation, ΔU_{rotdef} , can be expressed in terms of the deformation potential, ΔU_{cent} , as:

$$\Delta U_{rotdef} = \left(\frac{a_e}{r}\right)^3 k_2 \Delta U_{cent}(a_e) \tag{A.17}$$

Again by using the approach to model variations in the standard geopotential coefficients, the corresponding variation of the second degree geopotential coefficients are given as:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta C_{20} &\approx -\frac{a_e^2}{3GM_e}(1+2m_3)\Omega^2 k_2 \\ \Delta C_{21} &\approx -\frac{a_e^2}{3GM_e}m_1\Omega^2 k_2 \\ \Delta S_{21} &\approx -\frac{a_e^2}{3GM_e}m_2\Omega^2 k_2\end{aligned}\tag{A.18}$$

and $\Delta C_{22} \approx 0$, $\Delta S_{22} \approx 0$.

Note that with variations in the standard normalized geopotential coefficients \bar{C}_{nm} and \bar{S}_{nm} from the solid earth tides, ocean tides and rotational deformation, the geogravitational potential of the Earth can be expressed similar to Equation A.5 as:

$$\begin{aligned}U_s(r, \phi, \lambda) &= \frac{GM_e}{r} + \frac{GM_e}{r} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^l \left(\frac{a_e}{r}\right)^l \bar{P}_{lm}(\sin \phi) \\ &\times [(\bar{C}_{lm} + \Delta\bar{C}_{lm}) \cos m\lambda + (\bar{S}_{lm} + \Delta\bar{S}_{lm}) \sin m\lambda]\end{aligned}\tag{A.19}$$

A.1.5 N-body Perturbation

The gravitational perturbations of the Sun, Moon and other planets on the satellite other than the Earth can be modeled adequately by approximating the perturbing bodies as point masses. The N-body gravitational perturba-

tions can be expressed with respect to the geocentric inertial coordinates as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{P}_{Nbody} &= \sum_n GM_n \left(\frac{\vec{r}_n}{r_n^3} - \frac{\vec{\Delta}_n}{\Delta_n^3} \right) \\
&= \vec{\nabla} \sum_n V_n \\
&= \vec{\nabla} \sum_n GM_n \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_n} - \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}_n}{r_n} \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{A.20}$$

where GM_n is the gravitational constant of the n -th perturbing body; \vec{r} is the position vector of the satellite in geocentric inertial coordinates; \vec{r}_n is the position vector of the n -th perturbing body in geocentric inertial coordinates; $\vec{\Delta}_n = \vec{r}_n - \vec{r}$; and, V_n is the disturbing potential of the n -th perturbing body.

The position vector of the n -th perturbing body in geocentric inertial coordinates, \vec{r}_n , is obtained from a preintegrated planetary ephemerides. The JPL DE-200/LE-200 [Standish, 1982] is used for this research.

A.1.6 General Relativity Perturbation

The perturbation due to general relativity acting on a near Earth satellite can be described as [Ries, 1989]:

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{P}_{rel} &= \frac{GM_e}{c^2 r^3} \left\{ \left[2(\beta + \gamma) \frac{GM_e}{r} - \gamma(\dot{\vec{r}} \cdot \dot{\vec{r}}) \right] \vec{r} + 2(1 + \gamma)(\vec{r} \cdot \dot{\vec{r}})\dot{\vec{r}} \right\} \\
&\quad + 2(\vec{\Omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}}) \\
&\quad + L(1 + \gamma) \frac{GM_e}{c^2 r^3} \left[\frac{3}{r^2} (\vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{r}})(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{J}) + (\dot{\vec{r}} \times \vec{J}) \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{A.21}$$

and

$$\vec{\Omega} \approx \left(\frac{1 + \gamma}{2} \right) (\dot{\vec{R}}_{ES}) \times \left[\frac{-GM_s \vec{R}_{ES}}{c^2 R_{ES}^3} \right] \tag{A.22}$$

where c is the speed of light in the geocentric frame; \vec{r} and $\dot{\vec{r}}$ are the geocentric satellite position and velocity vectors; \vec{R}_{ES} and $\dot{\vec{R}}_{ES}$ are the position and velocity of the Earth with respect to the Sun; GM_e and GM_s are the gravitational constants for the Earth and the Sun respectively; \vec{J} is the Earth's angular momentum per unit mass; L is the Lense-Thirring parameter; and, β and γ are the parameterized post-Newtonian parameters.

The first term in Equation A.22 is the Schwarzschild motion which describes the main effect on the satellite orbit with the precession of perigee. The second term in Equation A.22 is the effect of geodesic (or de Sitter) precession and the last term is the Lense-Thirring precession which is due to the angular momentum of the rotating Earth. The geodesic precession and Lense-Thirring precession are generally negligible relative to the other Newtonian error sources.

A.2 Measurement Models for Each System

Satellite tracking involves the measurement of some physical properties of electromagnetic wave propagation between the tracking station and the satellite or between two satellites. The actual observations are generally pre-processed to correct for known effects such as clock offsets or timing biases, instrument-induced errors, antenna offsets from the spacecraft, or atmospheric refraction and any other corrections. Some corrections are applied to all the measurement type, some corrections can be different from each measurement type.

Based on a mathematical model of the dynamical and the measurement system, a computed measurement can be generated as functions of the nominal trajectory of the satellite as well as number of model parameters. The residuals (O-C), which are produced by differencing the actual observed measurements from the computed measurements, will show the nonzero difference due to the noise and biasing in making the measurements. In the following sections, the measurement models for each tracking systems used in this research, and the correction models to them are described.

A.2.1 SLR Measurement Model

Basically, an electromagnetic signal is transmitted from the ground station at time t_T and is received at the satellite at time t_ν . The signal is then transmitted by the satellite and received at the ground station at time t_R . For laser tracking, the signal is immediately retransmitted to the ground by the retroreflectors at time t_ν . For radio frequency ranging, the satellite transponder retransmits the signal at time $t_\nu + \Delta\tau$, where $\Delta\tau$ is the transponder delay time.

The relative motion of the satellite and the station which caused by the motion relative to inertial space while the signal is traveling, known as the light time solution, must be accounted for when determining the computed value of the observable. The range measurement is the average of the uplink propagation distance and the downlink propagation distance, which is computed from satellite ephemeris and station coordinates information.

Observed Range

The observed one-way range from the reference point of the ranging instrument to the retroreflector of the satellite, ρ_o , can be expressed as:

$$\rho_o = \frac{1}{2}c \cdot \Delta t + \varepsilon \quad (\text{A.23})$$

where Δt is the round trip light time, which is the primary measurement between the laser pulse transmission and the return of the satellite reflected energy to the optical receiver at the tracking station; c is the speed of light in a vacuum; and ε is the measurement error.

Computed Range

With the corrections for atmospheric refraction and instrument delays, the computed one-way range, ρ_c , can be described as:

$$\rho_c = |\vec{\rho}_{sat}| + \rho_{cm} + \rho_{trop} + \rho_{grel} + \rho_{bias} \quad (\text{A.24})$$

where $\vec{\rho}_{sat}$ ($= \vec{r}_{sat} - \vec{r}_{sta}$) is the satellite center of mass position in topocentric coordinates, where \vec{r}_{sat} is the satellite position in geocentric coordinates, and \vec{r}_{sta} is the position of the tracking station in geocentric coordinates; ρ_{cm} is the range correction for satellite center of mass offset from the retroreflector reference point; ρ_{trop} is the atmospheric refraction correction; ρ_{rel} is the correction due to the general relativistic effect; and ρ_{bias} is the system bias.

The empirical systematic range bias and timing bias estimated with the orbit parameters are modeled as:

$$\rho_{bias} = b + \dot{\rho}\tau \quad (\text{A.25})$$

where b is the range bias error; τ is the timing bias error; and, $\dot{\rho}(= \vec{\rho}_{sat} \cdot \dot{\vec{\rho}}_{sat})$ is the range rate of the satellite with respect to the tracking station.

The corrections are further discussed in Section A.2.4. The model of Marini & Murray [1973] is used for the laser tropospheric refraction correction. The general relativity correction is the same for SLR, DORIS and GPS. However, the special relativity correction is not necessary for SLR. The effects of the displacement caused by the crustal motions on the ground station location, \vec{r}_{sta} , will be also discussed in Section A.2.4.

A.2.2 DORIS Measurement Model

The Doppler Orbitography and Radiopositioning Integrated by Satellite (DORIS) is a one-way, ascending Doppler system which utilizes a set of ground beacons. T/P was the first satellite to carry a DORIS receiver on board. The beacons in the ground stations broadcast the signal on two frequencies of 2036.25 and 401.25 MHz. A receiver on the satellite receives the signal and measures the Doppler shift, which the average range rate of the satellite relative to the beacon can be measured from. Average range rate is defined as the range change over a finite interval, which is usually 7 to 10 sec. Note that the data types of the TRANET and OPNET Doppler tracking systems, which were the primary means of tracking the U.S. Navy's Geodetic Satellite (Geosat) from 1985-1989, are also referred to as Doppler range-rate measurements [Anderle, 1986].

Observed Doppler Range-rate

The observed raw average range-rate can be measured using the number of cycles $N_{1,2}$ such as:

$$\dot{\rho}_o = \frac{c}{f_t} \left[\frac{(N_{1,2} - N_{iono})}{(t_2 - t_1)} - (f_g - f_t) \right] + \varepsilon \quad (\text{A.26})$$

where c is the speed of light in the vacuum; t_1 is the time at the beginning of the count interval; t_2 is the time at the end of the count interval; f_t is the transmitter reference frequency; f_g is the ground receiver reference frequency; $N_{1,2}$ is the raw Doppler count over the interval (t_1, t_2) ; N_{iono} is the ionospheric refraction correction in Doppler count; and, ε is the observation noise. $N_{1,2}$ is the measurable physical quantity which is counted by the receiver at the ground tracking station between the count time intervals, t_1 and t_2 . The signal can be transmitted from the satellite for one-way or from a tracking station for two-way Doppler data.

Computed Range-rate

The computed average range rate is the time average of the range difference over the count interval (t_1, t_2) with the additional Doppler frequency shift due to the periodic relativistic effect for Doppler range measurement rate as:

$$\dot{\rho}_c = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} [\Delta\rho + \Delta\rho_{cm} + \alpha\Delta\rho_{trop} + \Delta\rho_{grl} + \Delta\rho_{srel}] + \frac{c}{f_t} \Delta f \quad (\text{A.27})$$

where $\Delta\rho$ is the difference of Euclidian ranges at time t_1 and t_2 ($\Delta\rho = |\vec{\rho}_{sat}|_2 - |\vec{\rho}_{sat}|_1$).

For the Doppler signal, the tropospheric refraction correction is from the modified Hopfield model [Goad & Goodman, 1974]. The scale factor α to be estimated to reduce the error was introduced. $\Delta\rho_{grel}$ is for the propagation correction due to the general relativity. $\Delta\rho_{srel}$ is for the additional Doppler frequency shift correction due to the periodic relativistic effect. For more details for the corrections, Section A.2.4 can be referred.

The frequency offset parameter Δf in Equation A.27 is estimated for each pass of the one-way range rate data to remove some uncertainty caused by inaccurate measurement of $(f_g - f_t)$ because of the different oscillator stability between the satellite transmitter and ground receiver. For two-way range measurement, this frequency offset is cancelled.

A.2.3 GPS Measurement Model

In this section, a brief introduction of GPS measurement model will be summarized. More details about GPS signals and GPS system can be referred to Hofmann-Wellenhof *et al.* [1992]. Details about the GPS measurement model can be referred to Rim [1992].

Code Pseudorange (PR) Model

The observed measurement ρ_{PR}^O and the computed measurement ρ_{PR}^C of the Code Pseudorange can be expressed as:

$$\rho_{PR}^O = c \cdot \Delta t + \varepsilon = c \cdot (t_{rec} - t_{tr}) + \varepsilon \quad (\text{A.28})$$

$$\rho_{PR}^C = |\vec{\rho}_{sat}| + \rho_{cm} + \rho_{iono} + \rho_{trop} + \rho_{grel} + \rho_{srel} + \rho_{bias} \quad (\text{A.29})$$

where t_{rec} and t_{tr} are the time tags of the receiver and transmitter respectively; $\vec{\rho}_{sat}$ is the satellite center of mass position in topocentric coordinates; ρ_{cm} is the range correction for satellite center of mass offset from the retroreflector reference point; ρ_{trop} is the atmospheric refraction correction; and, ρ_{grel} and ρ_{srel} are the corrections due to the general relativistic effect and special relativistic effect respectively. The details of the correction model will be further discussed in Section A.2.4.

Carrier Phase Pseudorange (PPR) Model

The observed carrier phase pseudorange (PPR) measurement between the i -th receiver and the j -th GPS satellite transmitter, ρ_{iPPR}^{jO} , is given as:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{iPPR}^{jO} &= \frac{c}{f_n} \Delta \phi_i^j + \varepsilon \\ &= \frac{c}{f_n} [\phi_i(t_R) - \phi^j(t_{T \rightarrow R})] + \varepsilon\end{aligned}\tag{A.30}$$

where t_R is the received time of the i -th receiver, which can be located on a ground station or on an user satellite; t_T is the transmitted time of the j -th GPS satellite transmitter; $\phi^j(t_{T \rightarrow R})$ is the received radio frequency phase of the j -th GPS satellite signal at the time of signal reception, t_R ; $\phi_i(t_R)$ is the receiver reference phase at the same time, t_R ; c is the speed of light; and, f_n is the nominal value for both the transmitting and the receiver mixing frequency.

The computed carrier phase pseudorange measurement between the i -th receiver and the j -th GPS satellite transmitter, ρ_{iPPR}^{jC} , can be modeled

as:

$$\rho_{iPPR}^j = \frac{c}{f_n} [\phi_i(t_R) - \phi^j(t_{T \rightarrow R}) - N_i^j(t_{0/R})] \quad (\text{A.31})$$

where $N_i^j(t_{0/R})$ is the integer bias which will be estimated. With the help of relationships such as $t_R = t_i - \delta t_i$, $t_T = t^j - \delta t^j$, and $t_{T \rightarrow R} = t_R - [\rho_i^j(t_R) + \rho_{i\text{corr}}^j]/c$, and by assuming highly stable oscillators of the transmitters on the GPS satellites as well as the receivers of the ground stations and of the user satellite, Equation A.31 can be expressed as [Rim, 1992]:

$$\rho_{iPPR}^j = \rho_i^j(t_i) + \rho_{i\text{corr}}^j + c(\delta t_i - \delta t^j) - \dot{\rho}_i^j(t_i)\delta t_i - \frac{c}{f_n}N_i^j \quad (\text{A.32})$$

where t_i is the time tag of the measurement in the i -th receiver; t^j is the time tag of the measurement in the j -th transmitter; t_R and t_T are true signal received and transmitted times respectively; δt_i is the clock error of the i -th receiver; δt^j is the clock error of the j -th transmitter; $\rho_i^j(t_R)$ is the geometric line of sight range between j -th GPS satellite and i -th receiver; $\rho_{i\text{corr}}^j$ is the range correction from ionospheric delay, tropospheric delay, relativistic effects and phase-center corrections ($\rho_{i\text{corr}}^j = \rho_{i\text{cm}}^j + \rho_{i\text{iono}}^j + \rho_{i\text{trop}}^j + \rho_{i\text{grel}}^j + \rho_{i\text{srel}}^j$). The third term, $c(\delta t_i - \delta t^j)$, represents clock drifting effects between the transmitter and receiver clocks, and the fourth term, $\dot{\rho}_i^j\delta t_i$, is similar to the timing bias in Equation A.25. Therefore, Equation A.32 is similar to Equation A.29 except the integer ambiguity term. The ionospheric delay is corrected in the pre-processing stage with L1 and L2 linear combination, the corrections will be discussed further in Section A.2.4. The clock errors would be estimated for each epoch during the pre-processing stage.

Single-Differenced Phase Pseudorange (SDPPR) Measurement

A computed single-differenced phase pseudorange (SDPPR) measurement between the j -th and k -th GPS satellites for the j -th ground receiver and for the user satellite, u , can be formed as:

$$\Delta\rho_{iuSDPPR}^{jC} \equiv \rho_{iPPR}^{jC} - \rho_{uPPR}^{jC} \quad (\text{A.33})$$

$$\Delta\rho_{iuSDPPR}^{kC} \equiv \rho_{iPPR}^{kC} - \rho_{uPPR}^{kC} \quad (\text{A.34})$$

Double-Differenced Phase Pseudorange (DDPPR) Measurement

A computed double-differenced phase pseudorange (DDPPR) measurement can be formed by subtracting two single-differenced phase pseudorange measurements as:

$$\Delta\rho_{iuDDPPR}^{jkC} \equiv \Delta\rho_{iuSDPPR}^{jC} - \Delta\rho_{iuSDPPR}^{kC} \quad (\text{A.35})$$

By using Equations, A.32, A.33 and A.34, Equation A.35 can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\rho_{iuDDPPR}^{jkC} &= \rho_i^j(t_i) - \rho_u^j(t_u) - \rho_i^k(t_i) + \rho_u^k(t_u) \\ &\quad - [\dot{\rho}_i^j(t_i) - \dot{\rho}_i^k(t_i)] \cdot \delta t_i + [\dot{\rho}_u^j(t_u) - \dot{\rho}_u^k(t_u)] \cdot \delta t_u \\ &\quad + \rho_{i\text{corr}}^j - \rho_{u\text{corr}}^j - \rho_{i\text{corr}}^k + \rho_{u\text{corr}}^k \\ &\quad + \frac{c}{f_n} [N_i^j - N_u^j - N_i^k + N_u^k] \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.36})$$

This is the double-differenced phase pseudorange measurement model for high-low or low-low implemented in MSODP. Note that in the equation, all the clock error terms associated with the GPS satellite are cancelled by forming

double differenced measurement. The model was derived from the assumption of the highly stable oscillators of transmitters and receivers. Since the GPS satellites have highly stable oscillators with 10^{-11} to 10^{-12} clock drift rate, the frequencies of the clocks usually stay close to the nominal frequency, f_n . The receiver time tags both on the ground station and on-board in the third line of Equation A.36 are corrected by using independent information from the pseudo-range measurement in the preprocessing stage. If the independent clock information is not provided, it can be modeled with coefficients to be estimated such as $\delta t = a + b(t - t_0)$, where a is the clock bias, b is the clock drift coefficient, and t_0 is the reference time for clock parameters.

A.2.4 Measurement Correction Models

When processing measurement data, the errors are corrected either in the preprocess stage or in the orbit estimation stage. The errors of measurement data can be categorized as: 1) ground station-related, 2) media-related, and 3) the instrument-related. The displacement of the tracking station location due to the solid earth tides as well as the ocean tide loading effects should be corrected for ground tracking stations. The media-related correction errors include refraction effects caused by the dry and wet components of the troposphere and the electron content of the ionosphere. The relativistic effects of gravity on the signal are also accounted for. The antenna phase center offsets and center of mass offsets of the satellite are also considered as in Section 2.4.

Each measurement shares ground-station-related effects. The instrument-

dependent errors such as the center of mass offset and antenna phase center offset need to be corrected with each different correction model. Each different signal is propagated through the atmosphere differently, so different atmospheric error correction models are applied to each measurement type.

A.2.4.1 Displacement of the Ground Station Location

The geocentric body-fixed coordinates of the tracking station reference point, \vec{r}_{sta} , is computed with corrections of the displacements caused eccentricity from the geodetic marker, solid earth tides, rotational deformation, ocean loading, and tectonic motion such as:

$$\vec{r}_{sta} = (\vec{r}_{marker} + \vec{\Delta}_{tect} + \vec{\Delta}_{tide}) + \vec{\Delta}_{eccen} \quad (\text{A.37})$$

and

$$\vec{\Delta}_{tide} = \vec{\Delta}_{dtide} + \vec{\Delta}_{otide} + \vec{\Delta}_{rotdef} \quad (\text{A.38})$$

where \vec{r}_{marker} is the position of the geodetic marker in the geocentric body-fixed coordinate system, $\vec{\Delta}_{tect}$ is the tectonic plate motion correction of the geodetic marker, $\vec{\Delta}_{dtide}$ is the solid Earth tide correction of the geodetic marker, $\vec{\Delta}_{otide}$ is the ocean loading correction of the geodetic marker, $\vec{\Delta}_{rotdef}$ is the rotational deformation correction of the geodetic marker, and $\vec{\Delta}_{eccen}$ is the correction from the geodetic marker to the instrument reference point.

The effect of plate tectonic motion is modeled as station velocities which cause the stations to move away from the nominal coordinates. The station

displacement vector at time t from the original site position at time t_0 can be computed with the cartesian rotation vector as [Minster & Jordan, 1987]:

$$\vec{\Delta}_{tect} = \vec{\omega}_{plate} \times \vec{r}_{marker}(t - t_0) \quad (\text{A.39})$$

where $\vec{\omega}_{plate}$ is the angular velocity of the plate; and $(t - t_0)$ is the time interval since the reference epoch t_0 . For this research, more simplified model is used as:

$$\vec{\Delta}_{tect} = \vec{r}_{sta_0} + \dot{\vec{r}}_{sta}(t - t_0) \quad (\text{A.40})$$

where \vec{r}_{sta_0} is the Earth-fixed coordinates of the station at t_0 ; and, $\dot{\vec{r}}_{sta}$ is the station velocity with respect to the reference epoch. Station velocity informations are provided by IGS in the cartesian station coordinates with respect to the reference epoch.

Ocean tide effects called also as ocean loading are due to the elastic response of the Earth's crust to ocean tides. The variation of station coordinates caused by ocean loading can be compiled into a table containing the amplitude and phase of the height displacement for each station which generated by the formula as [Schwiderski, 1978]:

$$\vec{\Delta}_{otide} = \sum_k A_k \cos(\Theta_k - \delta_k) \hat{e}_r \quad (\text{A.41})$$

where A_k is the amplitude of the radial (height) displacement for a specific station; δ_k is the phase of the radial (height) displacement for a specific station; Θ_k is the Doodson argument of constituent k ; and, \hat{e}_r is the unit vector in the radial direction for a specific station.

The solid earth and ocean tides and rotational deformation have a geometric effect on the ground station positions. The displacement due to the rotational deformation means the ground station displacement due to the elastic response of the Earth's crust to shifts in the spin axis orientation. The IERS Standards [McCarthy, 1996] for the tides has been used in MSODP.

A.2.4.2 Tropospheric path delay – wet and dry

The tropospheric delays composed of two components, wet and dry, can be expressed at any elevation angle as:

$$\rho_{trop} = \rho_{dry}^z m_{dry}(E) + \rho_{wet}^z m_{wet}(E) \quad (\text{A.42})$$

where E is the unrefracted elevation angle of the observation; ρ_{dry}^z and ρ_{wet}^z are the zenith delays for the dry component and the wet component respectively; and, m_{dry} and m_{wet} are the mapping functions. As shown in the equation, the tropospheric path delay is frequency-independent, thus, it can not be removed by using dual frequency.

The ρ_{dry}^z can be modeled as [Saastamoinen, 1972; Davis *et al.*, 1985; Bevis *et al.*, 1992]:

$$\rho_{dry}^z = 0.0022768 \frac{P_s}{f(\phi, H_s)} \quad (\text{A.43})$$

where $f(\phi, H_s) = 1 - 0.00266 \cos 2\phi - 0.00028H_s$; ϕ is the geodetic latitude of the station; H_s is the height of the station above the reference ellipsoid; and, P_s is the surface pressure at the station (in millibars).

Several mapping functions such as Chao [1974] model, the Modified Hopfield model [Goad & Goodman, 1974], and the Mapping Temperature Test (MTT) model [Herring, 1992] are implemented in MSODP for the radio frequency range measurement. The MTT model for GPS and the Modified Hopfield model for DORIS are applied for this research.

The mapping function needs the location and meteorological information (such as temperature and pressure) of the station. When surface meteorological data are not provided for the station, nominal pressure is computed as a function of altitude by Vanicek & Krakiwsky [1986, p443], or 900 *mbar* and 17°C may be used in MSODP.

The wet component of delay contributes 20% of the tropospheric path delay, but is more difficult to model because of the lack of information of the spatial variation of its water vapor content. For MSODP, since the errors in the wet part of the calculated zenith delay are highly variable, the wet zenith parameters are estimated simultaneously with orbit parameters.

The most commonly used tropospheric refraction correction model for optical frequency range measurement is Marini & Murray [1973] model which is applied for SLR in this research:

$$\rho_{trop} = \frac{f(\lambda)}{f(\phi, H)} \frac{A + B}{\sin E + \frac{B/(A+B)}{\sin E + 0.01}} \quad (\text{A.44})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= 0.002357P_0 + 0.000141e_0 \\
B &= (1.084 \times 10^{-8})P_0T_0K + (4.734 \times 10^{-8})\frac{P_0^2}{T_0}\frac{2}{(3 - 1/K)} \\
K &= 1.163 - 0.00968 \cos 2\phi - 0.00104T_0 + 0.00001435P_0 \\
f(\lambda) &= 0.965 + 0.0164/\lambda^2 + 0.000228/\lambda^4 \\
f(\phi, H) &= 1 - 0.026 \cos 2\phi - 0.00031H \\
e_0 &= \frac{R_h}{100} \times 6.11 \times 10^{[7.5(T_0-273.15)]/[273.3+(T_0-273.15)]}
\end{aligned}$$

where e_0 is the water vapor pressure; $f(\lambda)$ is the laser wavelength (λ) parameter; $f(\phi, H)$ is the laser site function of site's latitude (ϕ) and geodetic height (H); E is the elevation of the satellite; P_0 is the atmospheric pressure at the laser site (millibars); T_0 is the atmospheric temperature at the laser site (K); and, R_h is the atmospheric relative humidity (%).

A.2.4.3 Ionospheric path delay

The ionosphere is a region of the upper atmosphere ranging 100 km to 1000 km from the surface of the Earth. The presence of electrons and ions in the ionosphere delays the signal path proportionally to the number of electrons along the path and inverse-proportionally to the frequency of the signal.

The ionospheric path delay depends on the frequency of the radio signal varying 0.15 m to 50 m on L1 GPS measurement. To correct the ionospheric path delay for GPS, the dual frequency measurements [Ho, 1990] with a linear combination of the L1 and L2 signals are used in the pre-process. The

ionospheric free carrier phase observable (ϕ_{L_c}) can be expressed as:

$$\phi_{L_c} = \frac{f_1^2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \phi_{L_1} - \frac{f_1 f_2}{f_1^2 - f_2^2} \phi_{L_2} \quad (\text{A.45})$$

where, f_1 is 1575.42×10^6 , and f_2 is 1227.60×10^6 . The similar ionospheric correction can be also applied for Doppler range measurement.

A.2.4.4 Relativistic effect

The relativistic effects on the measurements have both aspects, special and general. The special relativistic effect causes an apparent shift in the frequency of the signal transmitted from the satellite due to the relative motion between the satellite (or transmitter) and the ground stations (or receiver). The constant drift shift can be removed by setting the clock frequency low before launch, and the periodic part of the shift can be modeled for range “difference” measurement as [Gibson, 1983]:

$$\Delta\rho_{srel} = \frac{2}{c} \left(\vec{r}(t_2) \times \dot{\vec{r}}(t_2) - \vec{r}(t_1) \times \dot{\vec{r}}(t_1) \right) \quad (\text{A.46})$$

and for a high-low measurement as [Rim, 1992]:

$$\Delta\rho_{srel} = \frac{2}{c} \left(\vec{r}_l \times \dot{\vec{r}}_l - \vec{r}_h \times \dot{\vec{r}}_h \right) \quad (\text{A.47})$$

where c is the speed of light; $\vec{r}(t_2)$ and $\dot{\vec{r}}(t_2)$ are the position and velocity of the satellite at observation time t_2 ; $\vec{r}(t_1)$ and $\dot{\vec{r}}(t_1)$ are the position and velocity of the satellite at observation time t_1 ; \vec{r}_h and $\dot{\vec{r}}_h$ are the position and velocity of a GPS satellite; and, \vec{r}_l and $\dot{\vec{r}}_l$ are the position and velocity of the user satellite. This correction for “range differences” is cyclic, varying with the eccentric

anomaly of the satellite. It would be zero for a circular orbit and would be small enough to be negligible for many near-circular orbit satellites. However, for precision orbit determination, this correction needs to be accounted for. The special relativistic effect for the laser signal can be neglected, but needs to be added to DORIS and GPS.

The gravitational potential difference at the satellite and the station causes the general relativistic effect which can model a time delay due to the reduction of the coordinate speed of the measurement signal as the signal passes near the Earth as [Holdridge, 1967]:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{grl} = & (1 + \gamma) \frac{GM_e}{c^2} \ln \left[\frac{|\vec{r}_{tr}| + |\vec{r}_{rec}| + |\vec{\rho}|}{|\vec{r}_{tr}| + |\vec{r}_{rec}| - |\vec{\rho}|} \right] + \\ & (1 + \gamma) \frac{GM_s}{c^2} \ln \left[\frac{|\vec{r}_{tr} - \vec{r}_s| + |\vec{r}_{rec} - \vec{r}_s| + |\vec{\rho}|}{|\vec{r}_{tr} - \vec{r}_s| + |\vec{r}_{rec} - \vec{r}_s| - |\vec{\rho}|} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.48})$$

where γ is the parameterized post-Newtonian (PPN) parameter (=1 in General Relativity); GM_e is the gravitational constant for the Earth; $|\vec{r}_{tr}|$ is the geocentric radial distance of the transmitter; $|\vec{r}_{rec}|$ is the geocentric radial distance of the receiver; $|\vec{r}_s|$ is the sun-vector; and, $|\vec{\rho}|$ is the relativistically uncorrelated range between the transmitter and the receiver. The general relativistic effect from the Sun (GM_s) is optional for MSODP. For high-low measurement, \vec{r}_{tr} is changed to \vec{r}_h and \vec{r}_{rec} to \vec{r}_l .

Appendix B

Jason-1 Attitude Event Information

Table B.1: Jason-1 Attitude Event Information for cycle 1 - 20

	EVENT	OBSERVED TIME (UTC)	Cycle	Pass
Set	Solar Array Pitch Bias (deg) = 0.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Set	Limit Sinusoidal to Fixed (deg) = 15.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Set	Limit Fixed to Sinusoidal (deg) = 15.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Set	Limit Yaw Flip (deg) = 0.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Roll	Bias (deg) = 0.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Pitch	Bias (deg) = 0.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Yaw	Bias (deg) = 0.00	2001-341T00:00:00	000	001
Start	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoid BETAP=+15.0)	2001-344T00:00:00	900	001
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoidal)	2001-344T00:01:00	900	001
Start	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoid to Fixed BETAP=+15.0)	2002-006T15:44:48	903	035
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoidal to Fixed)	2002-006T15:45:58	903	035
Start	Yaw Flip	2002-012T16:37:00	903	190
Stop	Yaw Flip (Fly Backward)	2002-012T16:52:00	903	190
Start	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-017T10:35:00	001	058
Stop	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-017T11:25:00	001	058
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-017T18:25:00	001	066
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-017T18:30:00	001	066
Start	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoid BETAP=-15.0)	2002-018T17:36:54	001	091
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoidal)	2002-018T17:37:27	001	091
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-025T08:05:00	002	006
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-025T08:30:00	002	006
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-029T04:45:00	002	105
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-029T05:10:00	002	105
Start	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-029T11:10:00	002	112
Stop	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-029T12:10:00	002	113
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-035T00:45:26	002	254
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-035T00:45:27	002	254
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-035T01:41:39	003	001
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-035T01:41:40	003	001
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-039T05:38:28	003	108
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-039T05:51:28	003	108
Start	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-039T11:10:00	003	114
Stop	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-039T12:10:00	003	115
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-050T11:44:00	004	142
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-050T12:00:00	004	142
Start	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-050T14:55:00	004	145
Stop	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-050T15:44:00	004	146
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-064T18:40:27	005	254
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-064T18:40:29	005	254
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-064T19:36:40	006	001
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-064T19:36:42	006	001
Start	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoid to Fixed BETAP=-15.0)	2002-070T05:15:28	006	139
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoidal to Fixed)	2002-070T05:20:28	006	140
Start	Yaw Flip	2002-075T02:46:28	007	011
Stop	Yaw Flip	2002-075T02:54:28	007	011
Start	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoid BETAP=+15.0)	2002-080T00:27:11	007	136
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoidal)	2002-080T00:31:00	007	137
Start	Eronous Pointing (star tracker)	2002-094T10:36:00	008	252
Stop	Eronous Pointing	2002-094T16:30:00	009	004
Start	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-101T06:29:00	009	173
Stop	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-101T07:33:00	009	174
Start	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-106T06:44:00	010	047
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Table B.1: Jason-1 Attitude Event Information for cycle 1 - 20 (continued)

	EVENT	OBSERVED TIME (UTC)	Cycle	Pass
Stop	Gyro Calibration Maneuver	2002-106T07:40:00	010	048
Start	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoid to Fixed BETAP=+15.0)	2002-131T12:16:04	012	186
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoidal to Fixed)	2002-131T12:19:47	012	186
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-134T04:30:40	012	254
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-134T04:30:41	012	254
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-134T05:26:53	013	001
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-134T05:26:55	013	001
Start	Yaw Flip	2002-137T16:41:07	013	086
Stop	Yaw Flip	2002-137T16:51:16	013	086
Start	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoid BETAP=-15.0)	2002-143T13:52:03	013	241
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Fixed to Sinusoidal)	2002-143T13:55:47	013	241
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-149T03:04:45	014	129
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-149T03:10:21	014	129
Start	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-149T03:11:45	014	129
Stop	ALT Boresight Calibration Maneuver	2002-149T03:17:20	014	129
Start	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoid to Fixed BETAP=-15.0)	2002-183T05:15:28P	017	240
Stop	Yaw Ramp(Sinusoidal to Fixed)	2002-183T05:20:28P	017	240
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-183T18:23:19	017	254
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-183T18:23:20	017	254
Start	Maneuver Burn	2002-183T19:19:31	018	001
Stop	maneuver burn	2002-183T19:19:32	018	001

Appendix C

Orbit Determination Problem Overview

For a spacecraft whose equations of motion and initial state, X_0 , at some initial time, t_0 , are known, its state can be determined at any subsequent time $t \geq t_0$ by integrating the differential equations governing the motion of the vehicle. In reality, the errors in the initial state, the models, and the physical parameters in the differential equations cause the predicted trajectory to deviate from the true trajectory. Thus, to estimate the state closer to the true trajectory, the observations of the spacecraft, whether ground-based or space-based tracking, are necessary to combine with the dynamical equations.

The differential equations of the motion, Equation A.1, which are based on Newton's Second law, can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\vec{r}} &= \vec{v} \\ \dot{\vec{v}} &= \vec{a}_g + \vec{a}_{non}\end{aligned}\tag{C.1}$$

By defining the state vector X composed of the position vector, \vec{r} , the velocity vector, \vec{v} , and the model parameters, \vec{c} , to be estimated, Equation C.1 can be rewritten as:

$$\dot{X} = F(X, t) = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v} \\ \vec{a}_g + \vec{a}_{non} \\ \vec{0} \end{bmatrix}; \quad X(t_0) = X_0 \tag{C.2}$$

where $X^T = [\vec{r}^T \vec{v}^T \vec{c}^T]$, and \vec{c} is a vector of unknown model constants which satisfies the relation $\dot{\vec{c}} = 0$. Equation C.2 represents a system of n nonlinear first order ordinary differential equations.

Assuming that observations have been made at times t_1, \dots, t_l , the functional form of the observation equation can also be expressed as:

$$Y_i = G(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_{si}, t_i) + \varepsilon_i \quad (i = 1, \dots, l) \quad (\text{C.3})$$

where \vec{r} and \vec{r}_s are the geocentric positions of the spacecraft and the tracking stations respectively at time t_i , and ε is the measurement error, which is assumed to be Gaussian white noise. Applying the state vector, X , Equation C.3 can be expressed as:

$$Y_i = G(X_i, t_i) + \varepsilon_i \quad (i = 1, \dots, l) \quad (\text{C.4})$$

Thus, the actual observation Y_i is assumed to be a nonlinear function of the true observation $G(X_i, t_i)$ and the random measurement noise ε_i .

To relate the state vector and observation vector in a linear manner, the linear estimation theory is applied. If the true trajectory denoted as X and a reasonable reference trajectory denoted as X^* remain close to each other throughout the time interval of interest, then a linear relation between the observation deviation, y , and the state deviation, x , can be obtained. In the linear orbit determination problem, the state deviation from some reference trajectory will be estimated.

By letting the state deviation, x , and observation deviation, y , be defined as:

$$x(t) = X(t) - X^*(t) \quad ; \quad y(t) = Y(t) - Y^*(t) \quad (\text{C.5})$$

and substituting them into Equations C.2 and C.4 to expand in a Taylor's series, Equations C.2 and C.4 can be expressed as linear differential equations with time dependent coefficients as:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= A(t)x \\ y_i &= \tilde{H}_i x_i + \varepsilon_i \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C.6})$$

where

$$A(t) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial X}(X^*, t) \quad ; \quad \tilde{H} = \frac{\partial G}{\partial X}(X^*, t) \quad (\text{C.7})$$

The first equation of Equation C.6 has the solutions:

$$x(t) = \Phi(t, t_k)x_k \quad (\text{C.8})$$

where $x(t)$ is the value of x at a specific time, t , $\Phi(t_i, t_k)$ is the state transition matrix with properties such as; 1) $\Phi(t_k, t_k) = I$, 2) $\Phi(t_i, t_k) = \Phi(t_i, t_j)\Phi(t_j, t_k)$, and 3) $\Phi(t_i, t_k) = \Phi^{-1}(t_k, t_i)$.

By using Equation C.8, the first equation of Equation C.6 can be written in terms of the state at t_0 as:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= \tilde{H}_1 \Phi(t_1, t_0)x_0 + \varepsilon_1 \\ y_2 &= \tilde{H}_2 \Phi(t_2, t_0)x_0 + \varepsilon_2 \\ &\vdots \\ y_l &= \tilde{H}_l \Phi(t_l, t_0)x_0 + \varepsilon_l \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C.9})$$

Equation C.9 can be further expressed as:

$$y = Hx_0 + \varepsilon \quad (\text{C.10})$$

where,

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_l \end{bmatrix}; H = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H}_1 \Phi(t_1, t_0) \\ \tilde{H}_2 \Phi(t_2, t_0) \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{H}_l \Phi(t_l, t_0) \end{bmatrix}; \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_l \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C.11})$$

It contains m observations (y is an $m \times 1$ vector) and n unknown components of the state (x is an $n \times 1$ vector), ε is an $m \times 1$ vector, H is an $m \times n$ mapping matrix. If $m > n$, the least squares solution for the best estimate of x_0 , denoted as \hat{x}_0 , can be obtained as:

$$\hat{x}_0 = (H^T H)^{-1} H^T y \quad (\text{C.12})$$

Given a set of initial conditions $X^*(t_0)$, an a priori estimate \bar{x}_0 and associated covariance matrix \bar{P}_0 , the computational algorithm for the batch processor generally uses the normal equation form for the state estimate \hat{x} at the initial time as:

$$\hat{x} = (H^T R^{-1} H + \bar{P}_0^{-1})^{-1} (H^T R^{-1} y + \bar{P}_0^{-1} \bar{x}_0) \quad (\text{C.13})$$

where t_0 can represent an arbitrary epoch associated with the initial time for a trajectory or a set of tracking data. For a more complete description of linear estimation theory applied to the orbit determination problem, Tapley [1973] can be referenced. For the details specific to the multisatellite orbit determination problem, Rim [1992] or Tapley & Ries [2003] can be referenced.

Appendix D

Surface Force Model Comparison: Box-wing Vs. Cannonball-wing

For Jason-1 POD, the surface force model error is one large factor that affects the radial orbit error, especially because of the significant improvement of the gravity model which had been a large error source. At a high altitude of 1336 kilometers above the Earth, acceleration due to atmospheric drag does not affect the satellite, but the accelerations due to solar radiation and Earth radiation on the satellite become greater. For Jason-1 in particular, the decreased mass-to-area ratio compared to T/P may increase the influence of the surface force model error on the orbit error.

For the surface force models, two kinds of shape models for Jason-1 are implemented in MSODP: one is a box-wing model, and the other is a cannonball-wing model, which is a simplified model generally used in UTOPIA for T/P. The solar radiation force based on the box-wing model is presented in Equation 2.5. The solar radiation forces on a body and on wings based on the cannonball-wing model are described in Equations 2.6 and 2.7, respectively. Equations 2.12 and 2.13 express the atmospheric drag forces from the box-wing model and from the cannonball-wing model respectively.

In this section, the effect of the two surface models on the orbit performance will be compared by applying each different drag and solar radiation model according to the two different shapes. The orbits from the box-wing model are expected to perform better than the orbits from the cannonball-wing, and how much they will be improved is a question to be answered in this experiment. The benefit of the introduction of empirical accelerations along with the surface force models is also re-examined. To that end, several experiments using the different surface force models are performed with and without empirical accelerations.

Case	Model	Estimation Strategy
Case b1	box-wing	No empirical acceleration estimated
Case c1	cannon-wing	No empirical acceleration estimated
Case b2	box-wing	Only CT estimated
Case c2	cannon-wing	Only CT estimated
Case b3	box-wing	CT & 1-cpr T estimated
Case c3	cannon-wing	CT & 1-cpr T estimated
Case b4	box-wing	CT & 1-cpr N estimated
Case c4	cannon-wing	CT & 1-cpr N estimated
Case b5	box-wing	CT & 1-cpr T,N estimated
Case c5	cannon-wing	CT & 1-cpr T,N estimated
Case b6	box-wing	mixed measurements*; CT & 1-cpr T,N estimated
Case c6	cannon-wing	mixed measurements*; CT & 1-cpr T,N estimated

* Mixed orbit with GPS+SLR+DORIS. See Chapter 5.
- For subarc length, **Case sub1.5-4.5** is applied.

Table D.1: Cases for Orbit Solution with Different Surface Force Models

Table D.1 summarizes all of the experimental cases with different surface force models and different empirical force parameterizations. **Case b1**

for the box-wing model and **Case c1** for the cannonball-wing model are processed without estimation of any empirical acceleration parameter to see the improvement of the orbit accuracy when compared with the orbits processed with the estimation of the empirical acceleration parameters. When empirical parameters are estimated, 1-cpr T and N parameters are estimated every 9 hours, and the CT parameter is estimated every 3 hours. The estimation of the empirical parameter, CT, in **Case b2** and in **Case c2** will accommodate the drag acceleration errors from the two different shape models, since CT was designed to accommodate the non-periodic along-track acceleration error. The estimation of the 1-cpr T and/or N parameters will accommodate the unmodeled radiation accelerations from the two different shapes. This will help in analyzing the effect of the radiation force differences from the two shapes on the orbit error. The 1-cpr T parameter in the along-track direction will accommodate most of the radiation force model errors from the solar-panels. Since the radiation force from the solar-panels, rather than the radiation force from the main body, will be the major radiation force source because of the broad area of solar arrays (see Table 2.3), whether to estimate the 1-cpr T parameter or not will make a large impact on the orbit accuracy. In Table D.1, the cases with the combined data of SLR/DORIS and GPS such as **Case b6** and **Case c6** were also processed for the shape model comparison. All other cases were processed with GPS-only data. More issues related to the use of SLR/DORIS and GPS simultaneously will be discussed in Chapter 5.

It is interesting that orbits from the box-wing model perform worse than

the orbits from the cannonball-wing model unless the 1-cpr T is estimated. When no empirical acceleration parameter is estimated, the crossover Mean of **Case b1** from the box-wing model is 4.90 (± 3.14) cm, while the crossover Mean of **Case c1** from the cannonball-wing model is 2.99 (± 2.80) cm (see Table D.2(a)). When the CT and 1-cpr N parameters are estimated, the crossover Means of **Case b4** and **Case c4** are 2.92 (± 3.20) and 2.77 (± 3.14) cm respectively. Generally, it appears that the orbit centering from the box-wing model is worse than the orbit centering from the cannonball-wing model when there is no estimation of 1-cpr T. This is also true for the comparison of the crossover RMS values from the two shape models without the estimation of 1-cpr T. The crossover RMS of the **Case b1** orbit from the box-wing model is 30.36 (± 7.12) cm, while the crossover RMS of the **Case c1** orbit from the cannonball-wing model is 28.08 (± 8.02) cm. The crossover RMS values of **Case b4** and **Case c4** are 29.56 (± 11.83) and 27.26 (± 13.04) cm, respectively (see Table D.2(b)).

With the estimation of the 1-cpr T parameter, however, the crossover statistics of the orbit solutions were dramatically improved from 3~5 cm to ~0.5 cm for the crossover Mean, and from ~30 cm to 6-7 cm for the crossover RMS. This means that the 1-cpr T parameter affects the radial orbit accuracy very strongly. Also, when the 1-cpr T parameter is estimated, the orbits from the box-wing model perform better than the orbits from the cannonball-wing model. For example, the crossover Mean and crossover RMS of the orbits from **Case b3** are 4.7 (± 8.0) mm and 6.70 (± 0.64) cm respectively, which are

better than 5.6 (± 9.4) mm and 6.82 (± 0.74) cm respectively of the crossover Mean and crossover RMS of the orbits from **Case c3**. The large influence of the 1-cpr T parameter on the orbits indicates that the radiation acceleration error from the solar array is a major source of the orbit error because of its relatively large cross-sectional area with respect to the main body's. It also implies that there are more ways to improve the surface force model especially for the solar array.

The estimation of CT, whether along with the estimation of the 1-cpr N parameter or not, does not improve the orbits as significantly as the estimation of the 1-cpr T parameter does in both surface force models. It is probably because of limited impact of drag on the satellite. The CT parameter affects a mean motion, but it affects the radial orbit accuracy only weakly. For example, the crossover RMS of **Case c2** with the estimation of CT is 27.38 (± 13.04) cm while the crossover RMS of **Case c4** with the estimation of the CT and 1-cpr N parameters is 27.26 (± 13.04) cm. The crossover RMS of **Case c1** without the estimation of empirical parameters is 28.08 (± 8.02) cm.

When the combined data of GPS and SLR/DORIS are simultaneously processed while estimating CT and 1-cpr N & T, the orbits with the box-wing model showed an improvement over the orbits with the cannonball-wing model, although it was not significant. For example, the crossover RMS of **Case b6** was 5.87 (± 0.24) cm while the crossover RMS of **Case c6** was 5.89 (± 0.23) cm. Also, overall the orbits with the combined data showed significant improvement over the orbits with GPS-only. The crossover RMS of **Case b6**

Cyc	Crossover Mean for each Case of Surface Force Model											
	c1	b1	c2	b2	c3	b3	c4	b4	c5	b5	c6	b6
8	-4.1	35.5	50.6	47.3	16.2	10.9	45.6	44.2	5.9	2.1	3.8	2.9
9	-13.6	-21.6	3.5	-2.8	4.9	3.3	5.2	-.8	6.9	5.5	2.9	2.5
10	15.5	16.3	7.9	10.5	7.3	8.5	6.1	8.6	5.3	6.6	-1.8	-1.2
11	17.8	42.2	26.5	33.5	7.6	10.6	19.7	27.7	-11.5	-7.5	-10.7	-9.5
12	41.4	97.4	40.7	41.8	8.5	7.7	23.9	27.2	-17.4	-13.5	-12.1	-10.9
13	11.9	22.4	92.4	92.8	11.1	8.5	86.7	86.8	1.0	-.5	-1.3	-2.3
14	-5.5	50.3	-10.5	-5.6	1.4	3.9	-8.7	-4.9	-3.8	-1.1	-5.6	-4.8
15	64.4	81.0	15.9	19.8	-5.2	-4.7	17.1	20.7	-7.3	-6.5	-6.5	-6.2
16	55.3	67.3	-4.5	-4.2	-13.5	-14.0	-2.7	-2.7	-11.1	-12.0	-7.6	-7.9
17	35.5	53.7	-9.9	-14.3	4.1	1.8	-6.9	-10.6	8.0	5.6	6.6	5.9
18	44.2	71.2	42.5	54.8	-4.4	-2.4	47.4	54.5	-2.5	-.7	-5.2	-3.8
19	66.8	73.2	80.5	80.0	16.8	13.4	79.3	79.8	16.5	12.8	13.4	12.5
20	58.8	47.7	47.6	48.4	18.6	14.1	47.3	48.6	17.4	13.0	7.8	6.8
Mean	29.9	49.0	29.5	30.9	5.6	4.7	27.7	29.2	0.6	0.3	-1.3	-1.2
rms	28.0	31.4	33.3	33.9	9.4	8.0	31.4	32.0	10.7	8.5	7.7	7.0

(a) Crossover Mean

Cyc	Crossover RMS for each Case of Surface Force Model											
	c1	b1	c2	b2	c3	b3	c4	b4	c5	b5	c6	b6
8	289.2	295.8	250.7	278.6	74.6	72.0	248.9	277.3	62.1	61.8	61.3	61.3
9	151.1	182.6	127.0	166.2	59.0	58.9	126.9	166.0	59.5	59.3	58.6	58.5
10	139.0	175.6	124.6	167.7	64.2	64.3	124.1	167.2	61.1	61.3	59.5	59.4
11	292.4	326.9	272.0	310.4	82.6	80.7	269.4	308.0	61.7	60.9	61.5	61.2
12	365.6	372.6	339.1	339.8	71.6	70.4	334.1	335.0	56.9	55.7	54.9	54.6
13	428.2	426.8	648.4	635.8	72.9	68.9	648.8	641.8	63.2	63.1	61.2	61.2
14	322.8	348.4	297.7	300.7	68.3	68.0	296.4	299.4	58.5	58.4	58.1	58.0
15	246.5	286.8	215.4	241.1	61.2	61.3	215.6	241.2	60.2	60.1	57.1	57.0
16	224.8	262.1	197.5	224.7	62.6	62.8	197.5	224.8	62.7	62.9	61.8	61.8
17	292.4	311.0	276.8	287.4	63.3	62.3	276.2	287.0	60.0	59.6	59.7	59.5
18	336.1	369.1	316.4	351.4	58.5	58.4	316.4	350.4	55.6	55.6	55.1	55.0
19	312.1	313.5	277.8	291.8	75.4	73.4	276.0	290.6	60.6	59.6	59.3	59.0
20	250.7	275.5	216.0	255.3	72.8	70.1	214.1	253.9	59.3	58.2	57.0	56.9
Mean	280.8	303.6	273.8	296.2	68.2	67.0	272.6	295.6	60.1	59.7	58.9	58.7
rms	80.2	71.2	130.4	117.0	7.4	6.4	130.4	118.3	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.4

(b) Crossover RMS

Cyc	SLR residual RMS (> 70 deg) for each Surface Force Model											
	c1	b1	c2	b2	c3	b3	c4	b4	c5	b5	c6	b6
8	159.8	190.8	149.5	168.7	34.3	32.8	147.8	167.5	11.5	11.9	8.9	9.0
9	47.4	83.8	55.4	79.8	14.5	14.7	56.5	80.6	13.2	13.0	10.4	10.2
10	66.7	84.4	54.5	76.2	20.7	20.7	51.1	73.5	12.6	13.1	10.2	10.5
11	149.6	160.6	119.7	141.2	32.9	31.0	114.7	138.4	14.6	13.5	9.8	9.8
12	234.8	208.9	210.1	205.7	46.4	44.2	201.6	198.2	7.4	7.8	6.7	6.8
13	286.7	259.2	260.1	264.5	14.1	14.6	263.4	270.4	9.6	9.9	8.1	8.0
14	122.3	116.9	140.3	138.7	18.4	17.1	140.3	139.6	10.4	10.1	10.7	10.5
15	115.1	138.1	118.0	134.1	17.6	17.3	118.6	135.1	15.5	15.3	9.6	9.7
16	94.1	97.7	102.3	118.0	15.6	15.1	104.4	119.7	13.4	13.2	9.6	9.6
17	147.8	166.7	122.6	127.9	14.2	12.7	121.6	127.5	11.5	11.4	10.2	10.3
18	197.7	242.6	181.2	212.8	14.2	15.6	182.8	214.4	8.8	9.0	7.7	7.9
19	174.7	202.1	184.2	197.9	47.8	44.2	169.8	186.3	17.8	17.5	12.8	12.8
20	136.7	178.2	145.9	173.8	43.9	40.6	137.4	168.3	17.2	16.3	13.2	13.2
Mean	148.7	163.8	141.8	156.9	25.7	24.7	139.2	155.3	12.6	12.5	9.8	9.9
rms	65.6	57.5	57.8	54.1	13.4	12.1	57.3	54.1	3.2	2.9	1.8	1.8

(c) SLR residual RMS

Table D.2: Orbit Improvement with Box-wing Surface Force Model. Based on the crossover RMS, the box-wing model performed better than the cannonball-wing model in both GPS-only orbits and the ‘mixed-data orbits’.

was 5.87 cm against 5.97 cm of **Case b5**.

In summary, constantly exerting drag force error is not an important error factor for Jason-1. Consequently, the estimation of CT does little to improve the orbit solution. However, the estimation of the 1-cpr T parameter in the along-track direction improves the orbits significantly, which indicates that the radiation force from the solar array is the main source for the surface force model error because of its relatively large cross-sectional area. It implies that there is room for improvement of the surface force model for Jason-1 in the future. With the estimation of empirical parameters, the orbits were significantly improved compared to the orbits without the estimation of the empirical parameters (i.e. in Table D.2(c), ~ 16 cm was reduced to ~ 1 cm in the SLR residual RMS sense, which is one of the indicators for the radial orbit error). When the CT parameter and, the 1-cpr N and T parameters were estimated, for both cases with GPS-only data and with the combined data, the orbits with the box-wing model performed better than the orbits with the cannonball-wing model. The box-wing model for the surface force model was adopted in this research.

Appendix E

Combining Data Types

E.1 MSODP Job-deck for Mixed-data Orbit

```
# QSUB -s /bin/sh -eo -ro
# QSUB -r mix
# QSUB -lt 80000
# QSUB -lm 16Mw
# QSUB -q high
#
set -xS
#### change to temporary directory
#
cd $QSUB_TMPDIR
#
#### set the name of the log file and other variables
#
ID='echo $QSUB_REQID | sed 's/\..*$/''
LOG="${QSUB_WORKDIR}/${QSUB_REQNAME}.o${ID}"
#
WD="${QSUB_WORKDIR}"
YR="2002"
YR2='echo $YR | awk '{ print substr($1,3,4) }''
#
DAY=84
DDic="s+i"; DDd="s+i.over"
#
ICDAY='expr $DAY - 1'
SEC="75600" # 21:00:00 GPS
#
if [ $DAY -lt 10 ]; then
    NDAY=0$DAY
elif [ $DAY -ge 10 ] && [ $DAY -le 99 ]; then
    NDAY=0$DAY
elif [ $DAY -ge 100 ]; then
    NDAY=$DAY
fi
#
if [ $ICDAY -lt 10 ]; then
    NICDAY=00$ICDAY
elif [ $ICDAY -ge 10 ] && [ $ICDAY -le 99 ]; then
    NICDAY=0$ICDAY
elif [ $ICDAY -ge 100 ]; then
    NICDAY=$ICDAY
fi
#
V="${DDd}.${NDAY}.${YR2}"
#
DIROUT="${WD}/out.${V}"
if [ ! -d $DIROUT ]
then
    mkdir $DIROUT
fi
#
#### start accounting
#
ja
#
##### Get Initial Condition for this job deck
#
```

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cp /archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/msodp/pod/JASON/gps/mday.arc.24h/out.${DDic}.${NICDAY}.${YR2}/${DDic}.${NICDAY}.${YR2}.j2.stt stt1
trastrip stt1 stt
#
CASE="gps+leo"
LEOID="105501"
CORD="0"
msodp_ic1 $NICDAY $YR $SEC igs $CASE $LEOID stt $CORD > out3
###
cat > input << EOF
      JASON DOUBLE-DIFFERENCED HIGH-LOW MEAS PROCESSING
      AMBIGUITY, 2.5HR Z-DEL ESTIMATED
      GPS ORBIT FIXED TO IGS SOLUTION
      1r Cd, 3h 1/rev T,N ESTIMATED FOR JASON
      JASON02(99x99) GEOPOTENTIAL WITH OTIDES.TOPEX_3.0
      29 GPS SATELLITES+ JASON, 50 GS (ALL GS FIXED)

INITIAL
      CHECK 1
      CLAS01 SETID 1
      CLAS02 SETID 2
      GPS01 SATID 1 1.0 975.00
      GPS02 SATID 1 2.0 880.00
      GPS03 SATID 1 3.0 975.00
      GPS04 SATID 1 4.0 975.00
      GPS05 SATID 1 5.0 975.00
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      GPS07 SATID 1 7.0 975.00
      GPS08 SATID 1 8.0 975.00
      GPS09 SATID 1 9.0 975.00
      GPS10 SATID 1 10.0 975.00
      GPS11 SATID 1 11.0 1100.00
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      GPS15 SATID 1 15.0 880.00
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      GPS27 SATID 1 27.0 975.00
      GPS28 SATID 1 28.0 1100.00
      GPS29 SATID 1 29.0 975.00
      GPS30 SATID 1 30.0 975.00
      GPS31 SATID 1 31.0 975.00
      JASON SATID 2 105501.0 481.00
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      EPOCH2 23.0 59.0 47.0
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      GPS02 POS 0 4 15333881.55199945 6185073.07799673 -20172143.10900426
      GPS02 VEL 58.08265020394 2720.92601636444 808.4346464462
      GPS03 POS 0 4 -2898339.58099890 18261181.11399817 -19075772.86000347
      GPS03 VEL -2159.83033314810 1115.24995834429 1411.79319946853
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      GPS07 VEL 913.45182336611 -153.58978182668 -2974.44794772417
      GPS08 POS 0 4 16608095.34099734 -5966508.87400076 -20142371.40700197
      GPS08 VEL 2035.86830461619 1455.84589114516 1242.17968470627
      GPS09 POS 0 4 -21655195.10300231 -15458968.07100022 -3449169.46199635
      GPS09 VEL 487.4333553384 -47.40483815084 -3074.80342205126
      GPS10 POS 0 4 -2078528.34800056 -26007267.74300134 -4280164.74200571
      GPS10 VEL 254.18310775745 -537.26115242286 3169.60820556672
      GPS11 POS 0 4 22236625.43100178 14268117.09400010 -2700942.09999579
      GPS11 VEL -499.70088368906 195.16907427732 -3055.87754895032
      GPS13 POS 0 4 24158155.57700217 -5940132.03500250 9171686.49399686
      GPS13 VEL -916.19519324080 758.32475495225 2911.35519456836
      GPS14 POS 0 4 -19327969.54499984 16609638.49800003 7679602.11400321
      GPS14 VEL -963.23932929360 253.19722841572 -2979.94191692673

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GPS15	POS	0 4	-18496605.14899814	2610274.94900146	-19166797.58900607
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GPS17	VEL		-1450.38706281881	-1280.37730007318	2279.60563299221
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GPS25	VEL		-2375.27217679023	-1205.64946671537	382.18178130801
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GPS26	VEL		2414.02655864017	-1292.17947910590	-346.67981785989
GPS27	POS	0 4	23461387.70699954	2725080.72299948	-12418680.13400626
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GPS30	POS	0 4	-15408974.58899975	-3116813.66399652	21213595.58200276
GPS30	VEL		45.09182792784	-2746.70965665906	-360.65222823860
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RUNMODE					
	MODE	4			
	ITER	6			
	POSMIN		.000000001		
	RMSFRA		.000000001		
	RESTR	0			
	NARC	1			
	END				
FORCES					
	GM		398600.4415		
	GEO	1 0			
CLAS01	NJMAX	12			
CLAS01	NMAX	12			
CLAS01	MMAX	12			
CLAS02	NJMAX	99			
CLAS02	NMAX	99			
CLAS02	MMAX	99			
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	MOON	1			
	SUN	1			
	MERCUR	1			
	VENUS	1			
	MARS	1			
	JUPITE	1			
	SATURN	1			
	URANUS	1			
	NEPTUN	1			
	INDRJ2	1 1			
	ROTDEF	1	0.3	0.046	0.294
	RELPR	1			
	DTIDES	1			
	OTIDES	1			
	END				
	GPSYAW	1			
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JASON	TPXYAW	2		0.0	
JASON	RTNPRT	1			
JASON	THERMS	0			
JASON	YBIAS	1	374.0	187.0	
JASON	DRAGL	2			
JASON	DRAG	5	20.	2.2	
JASON	DRAG1	2	9.8	3.0	3.1
	FLUX	0	200.0	250.0	2.5

JASON	BWSRP	1	8					1.0
JASON	MACRO1	1	1.65	0.436	0.209	-0.001		
JASON	MACRO1	2	1.65	0.434	0.215	0.005		
JASON	MACRO1	3	3.0	0.357	0.375	0.271		
JASON	MACRO1	4	3.0	0.321	0.400	0.308		
JASON	MACRO1	5	3.1	0.240	0.402	0.330		
JASON	MACRO1	6	3.1	0.318	0.370	0.267		
JASON	MACRO1	7	9.8	0.344	0.006	0.647		
JASON	MACRO1	8	9.8	0.004	0.298	0.697		
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	SHADOW	2						
JASON	ERADP	1		3.1			0.3	
JASON	ERADP2	2	0					
JASON	ERADP1	2		2444960.5				
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	AL	1	0			.00		
	AL	2	0			.29		
	EM	0	0			.68		
	EM	1	0			.00		
	EM	2	0			-.18		
	AL	1	0	365.25		.10		.00
	EM	1	0	365.25		-.07		.00
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	EPO	1						
	END							
FRAME								
	POLMOT	2						
	SPDUT1	1						
	UT1 TAI	2						
	NUTCOR	1						
	POLEPO				0.0460		0.2940	
	END							
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JASON	DOEARC		1.0					
JASON	DRAGL		0.34492					
JASON	RTNPRT		1.03475					
JASON	CD	0	1.5					
JASON	RADIAL	0		0.		0.		
JASON	TRANSV	0		0.		0.		
JASON	NORMAL	0		0.		0.		
	END							
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30h	TFDAYS		1.25					
	TOVER	1	21600.0					
	NPRINT	9000						
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CLAS01	EXTSYS	1						
CLAS01	EXTFRM	1						
CLAS02	FXSTEP	11	30.					
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	DTOUT			604800.0				
	DTOBS			604800.0				
	CCMAX	0		0.9				
	NPTAFT	2						
	RMSPRN	3						
	END							
STA/OBS								
GPS01	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS02	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS03	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS04	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS05	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS06	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS07	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
GPS08	CMOFF4	3		0.2794	0.0000		1.0230	
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GPS15	CMOFF4	3		0.2749	0.0000		1.0230	
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GPS31	CMOFF4	3	0.2749	0.0000	1.0230	
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	MEAS5	2	10000.0			
	MEAS6	1	10000.0	4.0		
	MEAS7	1				
	MEAS14	1	0.03			
	DECORR	1				
	MXREAD	100				
	TROPOS	1				
	TROP RN	1				
	TROLIM	1	900.0			
	REFRAC	3				
	ZENITH	0	0.2			
	DDTROP		9000.0			
	SATFRQ				1575.42	
	MEASX	0				
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	CUTOFF	1	90.0			
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	EDIT1	1				
	EDIT2	1				
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	EDCRIT	5	100.0	0.6	3.0	
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	EDCRIT	7	100000.0	0.3	3.0	
	EDTPSS	1	10000.0	0.2	2.0	
	EDCRIT	14	10000000.0	10.0	3.0	
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	ROTDEF	1				
	RELCOR	1				
	ANTPHS	3				
	ANTPCV	1				
	DDPCC	1				
	STAPRN	1				
	INVBAR	1				
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	ZENITH	150 2				
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kit3	STA	12334 0 0 0				

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kosg	STA	13504	0	0	0
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wtzr	STA	14201	0	0	0
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lhas	STA	21613	0	0	0
tskb	STA	21730	0	0	0
bahr	STA	24901	0	0	0
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braz	STA	41606	0	0	0
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areq	STA	42202	0	0	0
brmu	STA	42501	0	0	0
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OBSBIN 0
OBSPOS 1
CTRACK 2
UTCWRT 2 10.
CLAS02 NGAWRT 2 1
SYSTEM 1
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IPLT 0
IORBPL 1
IORB1 1 1 1
IORB2 1 1 0
DIMXY 2
END
FINIS
EOF
##### modify I.C. 1) for gps (from 'addic script), 2) for Jason-1 #####
addic input ICFILE input1
addcmoff input1 CMOFF input2
#####
addsta input2 /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/topex/doris_network_itr2000 input3
addsta input3 /archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/msodp/sta/g+s/s+gps_network_itr2000.0 INPUT
rm -f input input2 input3 input1 input4 input5 input6 ICFILE CMOFF
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/utopia/EPHDAT EPHDAT
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/utopia/FLXDAT FLXDAT
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/utopia/OLOAD.GCM NETWRK
cp /archive/utexas/csr/export/aux/EOPDAT EOPDAT
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/utopia/JGM3.GEO GEO
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/utopia/OTIDES.TOPEX_3.0 OTIDES
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/jason/SOE SOE

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cp /archive/utexas/csr/byaa766/Msodpmod/2001.1/Phase_correction/ANTCOR ANTCOR
### create direct-access ephemeris from sp3 file for gps
set 'dn2gw $ICDAY $YR'; WK=$1; WKD=$2
sp3n2da $WK $WKD 3 igs
mv DAFLE EXTSTA
#
MRGYAW="/archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/msodp/pod/JASON/gps+doris+slr/bin/my_mrgyaw"
set 'dn2gw $DAY $YR'; WK_YAW=$1; WKD_YAW=$2
${MRGYAW} $WK_YAW $WKD_YAW 1 ### this merges 3 days (left+middle+right)
#
# modify to /archive/utexas/csr/byab310/bin/catyaw: script for concatenate JPL's yaw rate files
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab310/gps/yaw/nominal_yaw_rates YAWMMN
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab310/gps/yaw/yaw_bias_table YAWBIA
#
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/gps/dd/JASON/${YR2}/${DDd}/met/jason${YR2}${NDAY}.met METDAT
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/msodp/obs/dd/JASON/dd/${DDd}/jason${YR2}${NDAY}.Rimsta.utfm gps.tmp
grep -v '*' gps.tmp > gps
rm gps.tmp
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/jason/tracking/SLR.NMPT.01 slr
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/jason/tracking/DORIS.NEW OBS.01 doris.1
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byab343/jason/tracking/DORIS.NEW OBS.02 doris.2
sort -m -o OBSDAT -k 1.17,1.32 slr doris.1 doris.2 gps
#
### execute msodp1 ( the script will read EPHDAT AND FLXDAT; it will
# also read defaults for GEO, OTIDES and EOPDAT if not provided by the user)
#####
cp /archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/make/2001.2/mix+antcor+yaw/PATHLIST.mix+antcor+yaw.3 PATHLIST
make_ms 2001.2 update < INPUT > OUTPUT
#####
cp OUTPUT $DIROUT/$V.output
cp REPORT $DIROUT/$V.rep
cp STATE $DIROUT/$V.bf.stt
cp J2STATE $DIROUT/$V.j2.stt
cp DDRES $DIROUT/$V.ldr
#
### close accounting
#
ls -al
set +xS
ja -csflht
#
# append log file to end of output and save in desired directory;
# log file will remain on original submission directory if any error
# occurs in copying log or saving output; output will also be in
# fortran carriage control form for printing
#
if nasa $LOG >> out.log
then
if cp out.log $DIROUT/${V}.log
then
rm $LOG
fi
else
cp out.log $DIROUT/${V}.log
fi

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E.2 Modsets Used in Mixed-data Orbit

This document can also be found at <http://www.csr.utexas.edu/internal/projects/grace/messages/>

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*****
GRACE Electronic Mail      Tue Feb 27 21:42:18 CST 2001      Message No. 0012
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Author: Key-rok Choi
Subject: Update of Mail #11

Purpose of changes: - To process the multi-observation types (DDObs, SLR and DORIS added to MSODP)
- Added PASS EDITING function in the modset.
 (now, the 'EDTPSS' card can be used for the mixing
 process too)
- Statistics for GPS DD pass was added in the OUTPUT file,
- Adapted to the 2001.2 version

Directory in which changes reside:
/archive/utexas/csr/byaa713/make/2001.2/mix/src/ on Cray SV1.

Subroutine(s) (to be) modified:
 BATCH.f90, BATPRO.f90, DELRHO.f90, GIVENS.f90, GPSPAR.f90, HTIL2H.f90
 INDICE.f90, INTERP.f90, KPRSET.f90, OBSERV.f90, OCSAVE.f90, PKPPRO.f90
 READOB.f90, REPORT.f90, SIMOBS.f90

Subroutine(s) (to be) created: GPSPAR.f90 (Based on Dr. Rim's 9401 version)

Subroutine(s) (to be) deleted: <none>

Changes (to be) made:
 BATPRO.f90 : changed to get both statistics for pass and for stations from
 OCSAVE.f90.
 OCSAVE.f90 : M_RMSPRT is called to use the IRMSPR variable.
 REPORT.f90 : DD passes to be edited will be selected/printed for the mixing
 process and statistics for gps DD pass will be printed.

Appendix F

IGS Network

F.1 IGS Network

Table F.1: IGS Stations(335) as of August, 2002

site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
albh†	40129M003	236.5126	48.3898	32.0000	Victoria	Canada	NRCan/GSC
algo†	40104M002	281.9286	45.9588	202.0000	Algonquin Park	Canada	NRCan/GSD
alic†	50137M001	133.8855	-23.6701	603.3580	Alice Springs	Australia	AUSLIG
amc2†	40472S004	255.4754	38.8031	1911.0870	Colorado Springs	U.S.A.	USNO
ammn	22201M001	35.8800	32.0300	1055.8300	Amman	Jordan	RJGC
ankr†	20805M002	32.7586	39.8875	974.8000	Ankara	Turkey	BKG and GCM
aoa1	40483S001	241.1697	34.1574	246.5566	Westlake	USA	NASA/JPL
aoml†	49914S001	279.8378	25.7347	0.0870	Key Biscayne, Miami	USA	NOAA
areq	42202M005	288.5072	-16.4655	2488.9294	Arequipa	Peru	NASA/JPL
artu†	12362M001	58.5605	56.4298	247.5110	Arti	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
asc1†	30602M001	345.5880	-7.9512	105.1508	Ascension Island	Ascension Island	NASA/JPL
auck†	50209M001	174.8344	-36.6028	132.0000	Whangaparaoa Peninsula	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
azu1	49911M001	242.1000	34.1300	144.7800	Azusa	USA	USGS
bahr†	24901M002	50.6081	26.2091	-17.0300	Manama	Bahrain	NIMA
bako	23101M002	106.8489	-6.4911	158.1365	Cibinong	Indonesia	BAKO
ban2	22306M003	77.5100	12.9500	732.9000	Bangalore	India	GFZ
barb	43401S001	300.3912	13.0878	-86.2782	Bridgetown	Barbados	NOAA
barh	49927S001	291.7783	44.3950	7.3680	Bar Harbor	U.S.A	NOAA
bili†	12363M001	166.4380	68.0761	456.2380	Bilibino	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
bill	49916M001	242.9354	33.5782	470.0417	Temecula	USA	SIO
bjfs†	21601M001	115.8925	39.6086	87.4130	BEIJING	P.R.C.	CASM
blyt	40479M001	245.2900	33.6100	85.9200	Blythe	USA	SIO
bogi†	12207M003	21.0352	52.4750	139.9100	Borowa Gora	POLAND	IGiK
bogt†	41901M001	285.9191	4.6401	2577.0833	Bogota	Colombia	INGM-JPL
bor1	12205M002	17.0668	52.1002	124.0000	BOROWIEC	POLAND	SRC PAS
bran	40400M301	241.7200	34.1800	246.2600	Burbank	USA	USGS
braz†	41606M001	312.1222	-15.9474	1106.0413	Brasilia	Brazil	IBGE
brew	40473M001	240.3173	48.1313	290.0000	Brewster	USA	JPL
brmu†	42501S004	295.3030	32.3700	-10.6190	Bermuda	U.K.	NOAA
brus	13101M004	4.3592	50.7978	149.7000	Brussels	Belgium	ROB
bucu	11401M001	26.1257	44.4639	143.2000	Bucuresti	Romania	BKG
bzrg	12751M001	11.3368	46.4990	328.8000	Bolzano	Italy	BZgpeRATAA
cagl†	12725M003	8.9728	39.1359	238.4000	Cagliari	Italy	ASI
cags	40147M001	284.1927	45.5850	235.0000	Gatineau	Canada	NRCan/GSD
cagz†	12725M004	8.9728	39.1359	238.0000	CAPOTERRA	ITALY	DIST-Cagliari
carr	40464M001	239.5700	35.8900	478.7400	Parkfield	USA	USGS
cas1†	66011M001	110.5197	-66.2834	22.5500	Casey	Antarctica	AUSLIG
casa	40437M002	241.1034	37.6446	2390.4416	Mammoth Lakes	USA	NASA/JPL
cat1	40488M001	241.5200	33.4500	3.9100	Catalina	USA	USGS
cedu†	50138M001	133.8098	-31.8667	144.8021	Ceduna	Australia	AUSLIG
cfag	41517S001	291.7674	-31.6022	703.0000	Caucete	Argentina	CERI
chat†	50207M001	183.4342	-43.9558	58.0000	Waitangi	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
chil	40484M001	241.9700	34.3300	1567.5200	San Gabriel Mountains	USA	USGS
chpi	41609M003	315.0102	-22.6872	640.0000	Cachoeira Paulista	Brazil	INPE
chum	25601M001	74.7505	42.9983	766.1515	Chumysh	Kazakhstan	JPL
chur†	40128M002	265.9113	58.7591	-18.9000	Churchill	Canada	NRCan/GSD
chwK	40142M001	237.9916	49.1566	170.0000	Chilliwack	Canada	NRCan/GSC
cic1	40508M002	243.3342	31.8707	67.5000	Ensenada	Mexico	CICESE-JPL
cit1	40400S201	241.8700	34.1400	215.3500	Pasadena	USA	USGS
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site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
clar	49906M001	242.2900	34.1100	373.6400	Claremont	USA	USGS
cmp9	49905M003	241.5900	34.3500	1138.0100	Sylmar	USA	USGS
coco†	50127M001	96.8339	-12.1883	-35.2212	Cocos (Keeling) Island	Australia	AUSLIG
conz†	41719M002	286.9745	-36.8438	181.2000	Concepcion	Chile	BKG
cord	41511M001	295.5300	-31.7102	747.0654	Cordoba	Argentina	NASA/JPL
coso	40469M001	242.1900	35.9800	1455.3800	Coso Junction	USA	SIO
coyq	41715S001	288.1079	-45.5143	476.0000	Coyhaique	Chile	PGPSF
crfp	40481M001	242.9000	34.0400	688.8000	Yucaipa	USA	SIO
crol†	43201M001	295.4157	17.7568	-31.8280	Christiansted	U.S. Virgin Islands (USA)	NRAO-JPL
csn1	49910S001	241.4800	34.2500	261.5200	Northridge	USA	USGS
dae†	23902M002	127.3745	36.3994	117.0370	Taejon	Korea	KAO
darw†	50134M001	131.1327	-12.8438	125.1970	Darwin	Australia	AUSLIG
dav1†	66010M001	77.9726	-68.5773	44.5000	Davis	Antarctica	AUSLIG
davr†	66010M001	77.9726	-68.5773	44.5000	Davis	Antarctica	GA
dgar	30802M001	72.3702	-7.2696	-64.8965	Diego Garcia Island	U.K. Territory	NASA/JPL
dhlg	49904M001	244.2100	33.3900	-83.0500	Durmid Hill	USA	SIO
dlt†	13502M006	4.3876	51.9860	74.3000	Delft	Netherlands	DUT/MGP
drag	20710S001	35.3924	31.5929	120.2782	metzoki dragot	Israel	SIO
drao†	40105M002	240.3750	49.3226	542.0000	Penticton	Canada	NRCan/GSC
dubo†	40137M001	264.1338	50.2588	251.0000	Lac du Bonnet	Canada	NRCan/GSC
dubr	11901M001	18.1104	42.6500	454.2800	Dubrovnik	Croatia	IfAG
dwh1	49837S001	237.9198	47.7741	109.1000	Woodinville	US	DWH
dyr2	20801M002	40.2764	37.9157	500.0000	Diyarbakir	Turkey	UNV-JPL-GCM
ebre	13410M001	0.4924	40.8209	107.9150	Roquetes	Spain	ICC
eisl†	41703M003	250.6167	-27.1482	114.5179	Easter Island	Chile	NASA/JPL
eprt	49928S001	293.0079	44.9087	30.9880	Eastport	U.S.A.	NOAA
esti	41202S001	273.6380	13.0995	956.5000	Esteli	Nicaragua	NGS/NOAA
fair†	40408M001	212.5008	64.9780	319.0097	Fairbanks	USA	JPL-GSFC
fale	50601S001	188.0005	-13.8322	48.0000	Faleolo	Samoa	PGPSF
ffmj†	14279M001	8.6650	50.0906	178.2000	Frankfurt / Main	Germany	BKG
flin†	40135M001	258.0220	54.7256	320.0000	CFS Flin Flon	Canada	NRCan/GSC
fort	41602M001	321.5744	-3.8774	20.4918	Eusebio, Fortaleza	Brazil	NOAA
free	43605S001	281.0074	26.7025	-26.0000	Freeport	The Bahamas	PGPSF
gala†	42005M001	269.6964	-0.7426	7.4453	Galapagos Island	Ecuador	NASA/JPL
geno	12712M002	8.9211	44.4194	137.0000	GENOVA	ITALY	ASI
glsv†	12356M001	30.4967	50.3642	226.8000	Kiev	Ukraine	MAO
gode†	40451M123	283.1732	39.0217	14.5082	Greenbelt	USA	NASA/JPL
gol2	40405S031	243.1108	35.4252	986.6759	Goldstone	USA	NASA/JPL
gold†	40405S031	243.1108	35.4251	986.6644	Goldstone	USA	NASA/JPL
gope	11502M002	14.7856	49.9137	592.6000	Ondrejov	Czech Republic	RIGTC GOP
goug†	30608M001	350.1333	-40.3488	81.3000	Gough Island	territory of the U.K.	AWI
gras	10002M006	6.9206	43.7547	1320.3182	Caussols	France	CNES
graz†	11001M002	15.4935	47.0671	538.2900	Graz	Austria	ISR
guam†	50501M002	144.8683	13.5893	201.9220	Dededo	Guam	NASA/JPL
guao	21612M003	87.1773	43.4711	2049.2900	URUMQI	CHINA	
guat	40901S001	269.4802	14.5905	1552.0000	Guatemala City	Guatemala	NGS/NOAA
harb†	30302M009	27.7075	-25.8869	1555.0000	Pretoria	Republic of South Africa	CNES
harv	40420M101	239.3179	34.4694	14.9941	Vandenberg AFB	USA	NASA/JPL
helj†	14264M001	7.8931	54.1745	48.6000	Helgoland Island	Germany	BKG
herp†	13212M009	0.3362	50.8675	72.5920	Hailsham	England	NSGF
hers	13212M007	0.3362	50.8673	76.4990	Hailsham	England	NSGF
hflk	11006S003	11.3861	47.3129	2383.0000	Innsbruck	Austria	ISR
hilo	49979S001	204.9473	19.7192	29.0000	Hilo	USA	PGPSF
hnlc	49970S001	202.1355	21.3033	22.0000	Honolulu	USA	PGPSF
hnpt	49913S001	283.8690	38.5880	-27.4763	Cambridge	USA	NOAA
hob2†	50116M004	147.4387	-42.8047	41.1263	Hobart	Australia	AUSLIG
hofn†	10204M002	344.8132	64.2673	82.5000	Hoefn	Iceland	BKG
holb	40130M001	231.8650	50.6404	560.0000	Holberg	Canada	NRCan/GSC
holc	40404M101	242.1500	34.4600	1238.1700	Pearlblossom	USA	USGS
holm	40148M001	242.2391	70.7364	39.5000	Holman (Victoria Island)	Canada	NRCan/GSD
holp	49903M001	241.8300	33.9200	-6.6700	Hollydale	USA	USGS
hrao†	30302M004	27.6870	-25.8901	1414.1877	Krugersdorp	South Africa	HRAO-JPL
hueg†	14280M001	7.5962	47.8339	278.4000	Huegelheim	Germany	BKG
iisc†	22306M002	77.5700	13.0210	800.0000	Bangalore	India	CMMACS-JPL
ineg	40507M001	257.7158	21.8561	1888.3160	Aguascalientes	Mexico	INEGI
invk	40150M001	226.4730	68.3062	46.3600	Inuvik	Canada	NRCan/GSD
irkt†	12313M001	104.3162	52.2190	503.3816	Irkutsk	Russia	DUT
ista	20807M001	29.0193	41.1044	147.2000	Istanbul	Turkey	BKG
jab1	50136M001	132.8939	-12.6588	82.1140	Jabiru	Australia	AUSLIG
jama†	42601S001	283.2191	17.9390	-2.9410	Kingston	Jamaica	NGS/NOS/NOAA
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site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
joze	12204M001	21.0332	52.0863	141.0000	JOZEFOSLAW	POLAND	IGGA-WUT
jplm†	40400M007	241.8268	34.2048	423.9830	Pasadena	USA	NASA/JPL
karr†	50139M001	117.0972	-20.9814	109.2463	Karratha	Australia	AUSLIG
kely†	43005M001	309.0550	66.9873	230.5636	Kangerlussuaq	Greenland	NOAA
kergr†	91201M002	70.2555	-49.3515	74.0583	Port aux Francais	Kerguelen Islands	CNES
kgn0	21704S006	139.4885	35.7068	128.5000	Koganei	Japan	CRL
kgni	21704S005	139.4881	35.7103	123.5000	KOGANEI	JAPAN	RAAG-KSRC
kiru†	10403M002	20.9684	67.8573	391.0600	Kiruna	Sweden	ESA
kit3	12334M001	66.8800	39.1400	643.0000	Kitab	Uzbekistan	GFZ
kodk†	40419S003	207.5000	57.7300	78.5300	Kodiak	USA	NASA
kokb†	40424M004	200.3351	22.1263	1167.3680	Kokee Park, Waimea,	USA	NASA/JPL
kosg†	13504M003	5.8096	52.1784	97.8617	Kootwijk (near Apeldoorn)	The Netherlands	DUT
koul	97301M211	307.1940	5.2522	-25.7450	Kourou	French Guyana	
kouc	92727S001	164.2873	-20.5587	84.0000	Koumac	New Caledonia	PGPSF
kour†	97301M210	307.1940	5.2522	-25.5700	Kourou	French Guyana	ESA
kr0g‡	10422M001	21.0602	67.8775	498.0500	Kiruna	Sweden	LMV
ksmv	21701S007	140.6577	35.9554	57.9000	KASHIMA	JAPAN	RAAG-KSRC
kstu†	12349M002	92.7900	55.9900	210.0000	Krasnoyarsk	Russia	GFZ
kunm†	21609M001	102.7970	25.0290	2023.0000	Kunming	China	NASA/JPL
kwjl†	50506M001	167.7302	8.7222	38.2688	Kwajalein Atoll	Marshall Islands	NASA/JPL
lael†	51002M001	146.9932	-6.6737	140.3500	Lae	Papua New Guinea	RSES
lama	12209M001	20.6699	53.8924	187.0000	OLSZTYN	POLAND	UWM_OLSZTYN
lbch	40482M001	241.8000	33.7900	-27.5600	Long Beach	USA	USGS
leep	49902M001	241.6800	34.1300	485.0600	Hollywood	USA	USGS
leij‡	14267M001	12.3741	51.3540	178.4000	Leipzig	Germany	BKG
lhas†	21613M001	91.1040	29.6573	3622.0000	LHASA	China	BKG
lhaz†	21613M002	91.1040	29.6573	3622.0000	Lhasa	China	BKG
lhue	49980S001	200.6607	21.9846	46.0000	Lihue, Kauai	USA	PGPSF
lind	49767M001	239.4600	47.0000	471.9800	Ellensburg	USA	
long	40485M001	242.0000	34.1100	74.2900	Irwindale	USA	USGS
lpgs†	41510M001	302.0700	-34.9100	254.0000	La Plata	Argentina	GFZ
lroc	10023M001	358.7807	46.1589	57.9000	LA ROCHELLE	FRANCE	CLDG
macl†	50135M001	158.9358	-54.4995	-6.6900	MacQuarie Island	Southern Ocean	AUSLIG
mad2	13407S012	355.7503	40.4292	829.4583	Robledo	Spain	NASA/JPL
madr†	13407S012	355.7504	40.4291	829.4574	Robledo	Spain	NASA/JPL
mag0†	12354M001	150.7700	59.5758	361.9266	Magadan	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
mald	22901S001	73.5263	4.1887	-92.0000	Male Airport	Republic of Maldives	PGPSF
mali†	33201M001	40.1944	-2.9959	22.7200	Malindi	Kenya	PGPSF
mana	41201S001	273.7513	12.1491	170.0000	Managua	Nicaragua	NGS/NOAA
manz	40513S001	255.7019	19.0639	-14.0000	Manzanillo	Mexico	PGPSF
masl†	31303M002	344.3667	27.7637	197.3000	Maspalomas	Spain	ESA
matl‡	12734M009	16.7045	40.6491	534.5000	MATERA	ITALY	ASI
mate†	12734M008	16.7045	40.6491	535.6000	MATERA	ITALY	ASI
math	40474M001	242.5600	33.8600	396.8900	Lake Mathews Reservoir	USA	SIO
maui	40445S008	203.7430	20.7067	3062.0000	Haleakala, Maui	USA	PGPSF
mawl†	66004M001	62.8707	-67.6048	59.1840	Mawson	Antarctica	AUSLIG
mbar†	33901M001	30.7377	-0.6013	1327.0000	Mbarara	Uganda	NASA/JPL/IRIS
mcm4†	66001M003	166.6693	-77.8383	97.9201	Ross Island	Antarctica	NASA/JPL
mdol†	40442M012	255.9850	30.6805	2005.4936	Fort Davis	USA	NASA/JPL
mdvo	12309M002	37.2236	56.0275	220.0326	Mendeleev, Moscow	Russia	IMVP-DUT
medi	12711M003	11.6468	44.5199	50.0000	MEDICINA (BOLOGNA)	ITALY	ASI
metst†	10503S011	24.6953	60.2175	94.5680	Kirkkonummi	Finland	FGI
metz‡	10503M005	24.3953	60.2175	94.5000	Kirkkonummi	Finland	FGI
mikl†	12335M001	31.9728	46.9728	94.7000	Mykolaiv	Ukraine	RIGC
mizu	21702M002	141.1300	39.1400	75.6000	Mizusawa	Japan	GFZ
mkea†	40477M001	204.5437	19.8013	3754.7305	Mauna Kea	USA	NASA/JPL
mobn	12365M001	36.5695	55.1149	182.6340	Obninsk	Russian Federation	RDAAC-JPL-IRIS
monp	40497M004	243.5800	32.8900	1842.5600	Laguna Mountains	USA	SIO
mr6g‡	10405M002	17.2585	60.5951	75.4400	Maartsbo	Sweden	LMV
msku†	32810M001	13.5520	-1.6312	387.0000	Franceville	Gabon	JPL/IRIS
mtbg‡	11030M001	16.4043	47.7379	294.0000	Mattersburg	Austria	BEWAG
mtka‡	21741S002	139.5614	35.6795	109.0000	Mitaka	Japan	ENRI
nano	40138M001	235.9135	49.2948	6.0000	Nanose Bay	Canada	NRCan/GSC
nico	14302M001	33.3964	35.1409	155.0000	Nicosia	Cyprus	BKG
nklg†	32809M002	9.6698	0.3523	31.3870	Libreville	Gabon	CNES
nlib†	40465M001	268.4251	41.7716	207.0648	North Liberty	USA	NASA/JPL
nnor†	50181M001	116.1927	-31.0487	234.9840	New Norcia	Australia	
notl†	12717M004	14.9898	36.8761	126.2000	NOTO	ITALY	ASI
noto	12717M003	14.9898	36.8761	126.2000	NOTO	ITALY	ASI
noum†	92701M003	166.4102	-22.2699	83.0790	NOUMEA	FRANCE	DITTT
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site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
np1d	13234M003	359.6604	51.4210	72.7185	Teddington	United Kingdom	NPL
nrc1†	40114M001	284.3762	45.4542	82.4755	Ottawa	Canada	NRCan/GSD
nrc2	40114M001	284.3762	45.4542	82.4755	OTTAWA	CANADA	NRCan/GSD
nril†	12364M001	88.3598	69.3618	47.8937	Norilsk	Russian Federation	RDAAC-JPL-IRIS
nssp	12312M001	44.5031	40.2265	1167.0000	Yerevan	Republic of Armenia	NASA/JPL
ntus	22601M001	103.6799	1.3458	79.0000	Singapore	Republic of Singapore	NTU
nvsk	12319M001	83.2355	54.8406	123.6429	Novosibirsk	Russia	IGF SB RAS(A10)
nyal†	10317M003	11.8653	78.9296	84.0000	Ny-Alesund	Norway	NMA
nyal†	10317M001	11.8700	78.9300	82.0000	Ny-Alesund	Norway	NMA
oat2	40478S101	241.4000	34.3300	1112.6000	Santa Susana Mountains	USA	USGS
obe2	14208M003	11.3000	48.1000	651.0000	Oberpfaffenhofen	Germany	GFZ
obet†	14208M004	11.2776	48.0843	635.9000	Wessling	Germany	DLR-KN-NL
ohi2†	66008M005	302.0997	-63.3207	30.6210	O'Higgins	Antarctic Peninsula	Ifag
ohiz†	66008M004	302.0997	-63.3207	30.6000	O'Higgins	Antarctic Peninsula	BKG
onsa†	10402M004	11.9255	57.3953	46.5789	ONSALA	SWEDEN	OSO
orid	15601M001	20.7940	41.1274	773.0000	Ohrid	Macedonia	BKG
os0g†	10402M004	11.9255	57.3953	46.5789	Onsala	Sweden	
osje	11902M001	18.6805	45.5608	153.8500	Osijek	Croatia	Ifag
ous2	50212M002	170.5100	-45.6800	26.1900	Dunedin	New Zealand	GFZ
pado	12750S001	11.8961	40.1479	64.7000	PADOVA	ITALY	UPAD
parc	41716S001	289.1201	-53.1370	22.0000	Punta Arenas	Chile	PGPSF
pdel†	31906M004	334.3372	37.7477	110.8000	Ponta Delgada	PORTUGAL	IGP
penc	11206M006	19.2815	47.7896	291.7900	Penc	Hungary	FOMI
pert†	50133M001	115.8852	-31.8019	12.9200	Perth	Australia	ESA
petp†	12355M002	158.6070	53.0667	211.0343	Petropavlovsk-Kamchatka	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
piel†	40456M001	251.8811	34.3015	2347.7250	Pie Town	USA	NASA/JPL
pimo†	22003M001	121.0777	14.6357	95.4934	Quezon City	Philippines	NASA/JPL
pin1	40407M003	243.5400	33.6100	1256.2100	Pinyon Flat	USA	SIO
pol2†	12348M001	74.6943	42.6798	1714.2000	Bishkek	Kyrgyzstan	UNAVCO-JPL
polv	12336M001	34.5429	49.6026	178.1000	Poltava	Ukraine	RIGK
pots†	14106M003	13.0700	52.3800	174.0000	Potsdam	Germany	GFZ
prds	40124M001	245.7065	50.8713	1247.9400	Calgary	Canada	NRCan/GSD
ptbb	14234M001	10.4597	52.2962	130.2000	Braunschweig	Germany	BKG
pvep	40403M002	241.6000	33.7400	69.3900	Palos Verdes	USA	USGS
qaq1	43007M001	313.9522	60.7152	110.3900	Qaqortoq / Julianehaab	Denmark	NSC
quin	40433M004	239.0556	39.9746	1105.7868	Quincy	USA	NASA/JPL
rabt†	35001M002	353.1450	33.9800	80.8000	Rabat	Morocco	NASA/JPL
ramo	20703S001	34.7631	30.5978	893.1000	Mitzpe Ramon	Israel	SOI
rbay	30315M001	32.0784	-28.7956	34.2310	Richardsbay	South Africa	HRAO-JPL
reso†	40149M001	265.1067	74.6908	34.9000	Resolute,Cornwallis Island	Canada	NRCan/GSD
reyk†	10202M001	338.0445	64.1388	93.0950	Reykjavik	Iceland	Ifag
reyz†	10202M003	338.0445	64.1388	93.0000	Reykjavik	Iceland	BKG
riog†	41507M004	292.2500	-53.7900	32.0000	Rio Grande	Argentina	GFZ
riop	42006M001	281.3480	-1.6510	2816.0820	Riobamba	Ecuador	NASA/JPL
roch	40486M001	243.3900	33.6100	1393.7300	Pinemeadow	USA	SIO
rock	40478M002	241.3200	34.2400	553.3900	Simi Valley	USA	USGS
sant†	41705M003	289.3314	-33.1503	723.0399	Santiago	Chile	NASA/JPL
sch2†	40133M002	293.1674	54.8321	498.1800	Schefferville	Canada	NRCan/GSD
scip	49915M001	241.5100	32.9100	452.8600	San Clemente Island	USA	SIO
scub†	40701M001	284.2377	20.0121	21.9500	Santiago de Cuba	Cuba	GFZ
sele†	12352M001	77.0168	43.1791	1340.0000	Almaty	Kazakhstan	IVTAN
sey1†	39801M001	55.4794	-4.6737	538.2248	La Misere	Seychelles	JPL-IRIS/IDA
sfdm	49826M001	241.2500	34.4600	291.5000	Piru	USA	USGS
sfer	13402M004	353.7944	36.4643	85.8300	San Fernando (Cadiz)	Spain	ROA
shao†	21605M002	121.2004	31.0996	22.0933	Sheshan	China	CAS-JPL
simo	30307M001	18.4395	-34.1879	34.8510	Simonstown	South Africa	HRAO/JPL/UNV
sio3	40460M004	242.7500	32.8600	34.9100	La Jolla	USA	SIO
slor	41102S001	272.5639	13.4241	41.0000	San Lorenzo	Honduras	NOAA
sn1l	49909S001	240.4800	33.2500	239.6900	San Nicolas Island	USA	USGS
sofi	11101M002	23.3947	42.5561	1119.6000	Sofia	Bulgaria	BKG
sol1	49907S001	283.5460	38.3180	-18.0699	Solomons Island	U.S.A.	NOAA
spk1	40458M001	241.3500	34.0600	440.1300	Saddle Peak	USA	USGS
spt0	10425M001	12.8913	57.7150	219.9190	Boras	Sweden	OSO
ssia	41401S001	270.8838	13.6973	664.4000	San Salvador	El Salvador	NOAA
stjo†	40101M001	307.1889	47.5952	153.9000	St. John's	Canada	NRCan/GSD
str1	50119M002	149.0101	-35.3155	799.9640	Canberra	Australia	AUSLIG
str2†	50119M001	149.0169	-35.5319	799.9540	Canberra	Australia	GA
sulp	12366M001	24.0145	49.8356	370.5000	Lviv	Ukraine	NULP
sunm†	50143M001	153.0352	-27.4849	92.0000	BRISBANE	AUSTRALIA	NR&M
suth†	30314M002	20.8105	-32.3802	1799.7960	Sutherland	South Africa	HRAO-JPL
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Table F.1: IGS Stations(335) as of August, 2002. (continued)

site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
sutrn	30314M004	20.8100	-32.2100	1797.6008	Sutherland	South Africa	GFZ
suva	50801S001	178.4252	-18.1459	73.0000	Suva	Fiji	PGPSF
suwn†	23903M001	127.0542	37.2755	83.9322	Suwon-shi	Korea	NGI
syog†	66006S002	39.5837	-69.0070	50.0902	East Ongle Island	Antarctica	GSi
tabl	49901M001	242.3200	34.3800	2228.0200	Wrightwood	USA	USGS
tcms‡	23604S002	120.9874	24.7980	77.2000	Hsinchu	Republic of China	NML
tegu	41101S001	272.8000	14.1000	995.0000	Tegucigalpa	Honduras	NGS/NOAA
tgcv	39601S001	337.0172	16.7548	35.0000	Palmeira	Republic of Cape Verde	PGPSF
thti†	92201M009	210.3937	-17.5769	98.0400	Papeete	Tahiti, French Polynesia	CNES
thu1†	43001M001	291.2120	76.5373	55.0030	Thule	Greenland	KMS-JPL
thu3	43001M002	291.1750	76.5370	36.1000	THULE AIRBASE	DENMARK	NSC
tid1	50103M108	148.9800	-35.3992	665.3627	(Near) Canberra	Australia	AUSLIG
tid2†	50103M108	148.9800	-35.3992	665.3627	Tidbinbilla	Australia	NASA/JPL
tidb†	50103M108	148.9800	-35.3992	665.3818	Tidbinbilla	Australia	NASA/JPL
titz‡	14278M001	6.4316	51.0353	155.6000	Titz	Germany	BKG
tixi†	12360M001	128.8664	71.6345	46.9847	Tixi	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
tlse	10003M009	1.4808	43.5607	211.6000	Toulouse	France	CNES
tnml‡	23604S001	120.9873	24.7980	77.4553	Hsinchu	Republic of China	NML
torp	49912M001	241.6700	33.8000	-5.2000	Torrance	USA	USGS
tow2†	50140M001	147.0557	-19.2693	87.3860	Cape Ferguson	Australia	GA
trab	20808M001	39.7756	40.9947	99.2000	Trabzon	Turkey	BKG
trak	40480M001	242.2000	33.6200	115.5600	Irvine	USA	SIO
trol†	10302M006	18.9396	69.6627	138.0000	Tromsø	Norway	NMA
trom	10302M003	18.9383	69.6639	132.0000	Tromsø	Norway	NMA
tskb†	21730S005	140.0874	36.1057	67.3000	Tsukuba	Japan	GSi
tubi	20806M001	29.4507	40.7867	221.8310	Gebze	TURKEY	TUBITAK
twtf†	23603S002	121.1645	24.9536	203.1220	Taoyuan	Republic of China	NSTFL
uclp	40487M002	241.5600	34.0700	111.5600	Los Angeles	USA	USGS
uclu	40140M001	234.4584	48.9256	10.0000	Ucluelet	Canada	NRCAN/GSC
ulab	24201M001	107.0500	47.6700	1611.7000	Ulaanbataar	Mongolia	GFZ
unbl	40146S001	293.6170	45.5700	22.8100	Fredericton	Canada	GGE-UNB
unsa†	41514M001	294.5924	-24.7275	1257.8000	Salta	Argentina	GFZ
urum†	21612M001	87.6300	43.5900	856.1000	Urumqi	China	GFZ
uscl	40487M001	241.7100	34.0200	21.9400	Los Angeles	USA	USGS
usnl	40451S006	282.9337	38.9205	57.4050	Washington	U.S.A.	USNO
usna	49908S001	283.5200	38.9830	-26.3083	Annapolis	U.S.A.	NOAA
usno†	40451S003	282.9338	38.9190	48.8780	Washington	U.S.A.	USNO/NOAA
usud†	21729S007	138.3620	36.1331	1508.6328	Usuda	Japan	NASA/JPL
uzhl	12301M001	22.2976	48.6320	232.0000	Uzhgorod	Ukraine	MAO
valp	41712S001	288.3739	-33.0272	31.0000	Valparaiso	Chile	PGPSF
vene	12741M001	12.3319	45.4369	67.1000	VENEZIA	ITALY	ASI
vesl	66009M001	357.1583	-71.6738	862.4000	Sanae IV	Antarctica	AWI
vill†	13406M001	356.0480	40.4436	647.5000	Villafranca	Spain	ESA
vndp	40420M007	239.3800	34.5600	-11.5200	Vandenberg Air Force Base	USA	USGS
vs0g‡	10423M001	18.3673	57.6539	79.7660	Visby	Sweden	LMV
wes2†	40440S020	288.5060	42.6130	86.0170	Westford	U.S.A.	NOAA
whcl	40461M001	241.9700	33.9800	94.2900	Whittier	USA	USGS
whit†	40136M001	224.7779	60.7505	1427.0000	WHITEHORSE	CANADA	NRCAN/GSC
widc	49917M001	243.6100	33.9300	445.0200	Sky Valley	USA	SIO
will	40134M001	237.8322	52.2369	1096.0000	Williams Lake	Canada	NRCAN/GSC
wlsn	40400M101	241.9400	34.2300	1705.2700	Mt. Wilson	USA	USGS
wroc†	12217M001	17.0619	51.1131	181.0000	WROCLAW	POLAND	AUW DG&P
wslr	40141M001	237.0788	50.1265	909.0000	Whistler	Canada	NRCAN/GSC
wstr†	13506M005	6.6045	52.9146	86.0000	Westerbork	The Netherlands	DEOS
wtza	14201M013	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
wtzj†	14201M012	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
wtzr†	14201M010	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
wtzt	14201M011	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
wtzz	14201M014	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
wuhn†	21602M001	114.3573	30.5317	93.4000	Wuhan City	P.R. China	WTUS
xian	21614M001	109.2215	34.3687	81.5686	Lintong	P.R.C.	CAS-JPL
yakt	12353M002	129.6803	62.0310	103.3700	Yakutsk	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
yakz	12353M001	129.6810	62.0310	100.0644	Yakutsk	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
yar1	50107M004	115.3470	-29.0466	241.2967	Mingenev	Australia	NASA/JPL
yar2	50107M004	115.3470	-29.0466	241.2967	Dongara	Australia	AUSLIG
yarr†	50107M006	115.5860	-29.0850	241.3820	Dongara	Australia	GA
yebe	13420M001	356.9114	40.5249	973.0000	Yebes	Spain	IGN-E
yell†	40127M003	245.5193	62.4809	181.0000	Yellowknife	Canada	NRCAN/GSD
ykro	32601M001	354.7599	6.8706	270.4983	Yamoussoukro	Cote d'Ivoire	NASA/JPL
yssk†	12329M003	142.7167	47.0297	91.2887	Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk	Russian Federation	RDAAC-IRIS
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Table F.1: IGS Stations(335) as of August, 2002. (continued)

site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
zamb†	34601M001	28.3110	-15.3272	1321.0960	Lusaka	Zambia	
zeck†	12351M001	41.5651	43.2884	1166.8000	Zelenchukskaya	Russia	BKG
zimj†	14001M006	7.4651	46.8771	954.3000	Zimmerwald	Switzerland	AIUB
zimm†	14001M004	7.4653	46.8771	956.7000	Zimmerwald	Switzerland	AIUB
zimz†	14001M005	7.4651	46.8771	953.9000	Zimmerwald	Switzerland	swisstopo
zwen†	12330M001	36.7600	55.7000	270.0000	Zwenigorod	Russia	GFZ

† Designates a Global Station.

‡ Designates an site newer than 6 months to the IGS.

Table F.2: IGS ITRF Stations(52) as of August, 2002

site Id	DOMES Number	Lon(W) (deg)	Lat(N) (deg)	Height (m)	Location	Country	Agency
algo	40104M002	281.9286	45.9588	202.0000	Algonquin Park	Canada	NRCan/GSD
asc1	30602M001	345.5880	-7.9512	105.1508	Ascension Island	Ascension Island	NASA/JPL
auck	50209M001	174.8344	-36.6028	132.0000	Whangaparaoa Peninsula	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
bahr	24901M002	50.6081	26.2091	-17.0300	Manama	Bahrain	NIMA
brmu	42501S004	295.3030	32.3700	-10.6190	Bermuda	U.K.	NOAA
cas1	66011M001	110.5197	-66.2834	22.5500	Casey	Antarctica	AUSLIG
cedu	50138M001	133.8098	-31.8667	144.8021	Ceduna	Australia	AUSLIG
chat	50207M001	183.4342	-43.9558	58.0000	Waitangi	New Zealand	IGNS-JPL
dav1	66010M001	77.9726	-68.5773	44.5000	Davis	Antarctica	AUSLIG
dgar†	30802M001	72.3702	-7.2696	-64.8965	Diego Garcia Island	U.K. Territory	NASA/JPL
drao	40105M002	240.3750	49.3226	542.0000	Penticton	Canada	NRCan/GSC
fair	40408M001	212.5008	64.9780	319.0097	Fairbanks	USA	JPL-GSFC
fort†	41602M001	321.5744	-3.8774	20.4918	Eusebio, Fortaleza	Brazil	NOAA
gode	40451M123	283.1732	39.0217	14.5082	Greenbelt	USA	NASA/JPL
gol2†	40405S031	243.1108	35.4252	986.6759	Goldstone	USA	NASA/JPL
graz	11001M002	15.4935	47.0671	538.2900	Graz	Austria	ISR
guam	50501M002	144.8683	13.5893	201.9220	Dededo	Guam	NASA/JPL
hob2	50116M004	147.4387	-42.8047	41.1263	Hobart	Australia	AUSLIG
irkt	12313M001	104.3162	52.2190	503.3816	Irkutsk	Russia	DUT
kerq	91201M002	70.2555	-49.3515	74.0583	Port aux Francais	Kerguelen Islands	CNES
kit3†	12334M001	66.8800	39.1400	643.0000	Kitab	Uzbekistan	GFZ
kokb	40424M004	200.3351	22.1263	1167.3680	Kokee Park, Waimea,	USA	NASA/JPL
kour	97301M210	307.1940	5.2522	-25.5700	Kourou	French Guyana	ESA
kwjl	50506M001	167.7302	8.7222	38.2688	Kwajalein Atoll	Marshall Islands	NASA/JPL
lhas	21613M001	91.1040	29.6573	3622.0000	LHASA	China	BKG
lpgs	41510M001	302.0700	-34.9100	254.0000	La Plata	Argentina	GFZ
mac1	50135M001	158.9358	-54.4995	-6.6900	MacQuarie Island	Southern Ocean	AUSLIG
mali	33201M001	40.1944	-2.9959	22.7200	Malindi	Kenya	ESA
mas1	31303M002	344.3667	27.7637	197.3000	Maspalomas	Spain	ESA
mate	12734M008	16.7045	40.6491	535.6000	MATERA	ITALY	ASI
mcm4	66001M003	166.6693	-77.8383	97.9201	Ross Island	Antarctica	NASA/JPL
mdol	40442M012	255.9850	30.6805	2005.4936	Fort Davis	USA	NASA/JPL
nlib	40465M001	268.4251	41.7716	207.0648	North Liberty	USA	NASA/JPL
nyal	10317M001	11.8700	78.9300	82.0000	Ny-Alesund	Norway	NMA
onsa	10402M004	11.9255	57.3953	46.5789	ONSALA	SWEDEN	OSO
pert	50133M001	115.8852	-31.8019	12.9200	Perth	Australia	ESA
piel	40456M001	251.8811	34.3015	2347.7250	Pie Town	USA	NASA/JPL
pots	14106M003	13.0700	52.3800	174.0000	Potsdam	Germany	GFZ
riog	41507M004	292.2500	-53.7900	32.0000	Rio Grande	Argentina	GFZ
sant	41705M003	289.3314	-33.1503	723.0399	Santiago	Chile	NASA/JPL
shao	21605M002	121.2004	31.0996	22.0933	Sheshan	China	CAS-JPL
thul	43001M001	291.2120	76.5373	55.0030	Thule	Greenland	KMS-JPL
tidb	50103M108	148.9800	-35.3992	665.3818	Tidbinbilla	Australia	NASA/JPL
trom†	10302M003	18.9383	69.6639	132.0000	Tromsø	Norway	NMA
tskb	21730S005	140.0874	36.1057	67.3000	Tsukuba	Japan	GSI
vill	13406M001	356.0480	40.4436	647.5000	Villafranca	Spain	ESA
wes2	40440S020	288.5060	42.6130	86.0170	Westford	U.S.A.	NOAA
wsrt	13506M005	6.6045	52.9146	86.0000	Westerbork	The Netherlands	DEOS
wtzt	14201M010	12.8789	49.1442	666.0000	Koetzing	Germany	BKG
yar1†	50107M004	115.3470	-29.0466	241.2967	Mingenew	Australia	NASA/JPL
yell	40127M003	245.5193	62.4809	181.0000	Yellowknife	Canada	NRCan/GSD
zwen	12330M001	36.7600	55.7000	270.0000	Zwenigorod	Russia	GFZ

† : not a Global Station.

Table F.3: MSODP implemented Stations(208) for the Optimal Set Study

site ID	DOMES	X[m]	Y[m]	Z[m]
albh	40129	-2341332.886	-3539049.513	4745791.371
algo†	40104	918129.499	-4346071.239	4561977.824
alic	50137	-4052051.830	4212836.100	-2545105.836
amc2	40472	-1248596.070	-4819428.229	3976506.042
ankr	20805	4121948.594	2652187.938	4069023.685
aoal	40483	-2547879.914	-4628773.880	3561049.917
aoml	49914	982296.803	-5664607.228	2752614.479
areq	42202	1942826.728	-5804070.256	-1796893.968
artu	12362	1843956.907	3016203.039	5291261.706
ascl†	30602	6118526.077	-1572344.698	-876451.166
auck†	50209	-5105681.003	461564.048	-3782181.752
azul	49911	-2472979.158	-4671338.256	3558107.694
bahr†	24901	3633909.050	4425275.467	2799861.271
bako	23101	-1836968.965	6065617.193	-716257.776
barb	43401	3143384.507	-5359714.632	1434871.503
bili	12363	-2321892.971	560096.878	5894691.764
bjfs	21601	-2148743.784	4426641.236	4044655.935
blyt	40479	-2223206.565	-4830299.786	3510587.672
bogt	41901	1744399.096	-6116037.813	512731.625
borl	12205	3738358.598	1148173.582	5021815.705
bran	80028	-2502254.466	-4651654.382	3563569.196
braz	41606	4115014.087	-4550641.532	-1741444.061
brmu†	42501	2304703.582	-4874817.178	3395186.895
brus	13101	4027893.852	307045.689	4919475.037
bucu	11401	4093760.981	2007793.635	4445129.877
bzrg	12751	4312657.614	864634.517	4603844.341
cagl	12725	4893378.933	772649.625	4004182.063
casl†	66011	-901776.162	2409383.419	-5816748.420
casa	40437	-2444430.296	-4428687.799	3875747.438
catl	40488	-2540621.963	-4682555.618	3495319.216
cedu†	50138	-3753472.231	3912740.984	-3347960.860
chat†	50207	-4590670.912	-275482.993	-4404596.777
chil	40484	-2478003.030	-4655349.280	3577932.197
chur	40128	-236438.708	-3307616.791	5430049.174
chwk	40142	-2215259.730	-3543996.846	4802098.800
cicl	40508	-2433176.853	-4845045.125	3348295.738
citl	80027	-2491489.941	-4660803.503	3559128.869
clar	49906	-2458218.162	-4680467.713	3556758.387
cmp9	49905	-2508505.849	-4637175.117	3579499.854
coco	50127	-741950.006	6190961.630	-1337768.586
cord	41511	2345503.864	-4910842.804	-3316365.439
coso	40469	-2411148.241	-4571430.495	3727461.547
crfp	40481	-2410446.534	-4710490.586	3550422.388
crol	43201	2607771.157	-5488076.781	1932767.685
csnl	49910	-2520225.756	-4637082.562	3569875.398
dae†	23902	-3120041.778	4084614.970	3764027.006
darw	50134	-4091358.781	4684606.724	-1408580.460
davl†	80043	486854.548	2285099.302	-5914955.683
dgar†	30802	1916269.771	6029977.317	-801720.175
dhlg	49904	-2319099.063	-4799846.543	3490090.466
drag	20710	4432980.874	3149431.992	3322110.339
drao†	40105	-2059164.684	-3621108.394	4814432.379
dubo	40137	-417603.554	-4064529.811	4881432.198
ebre	13410	4833520.246	41536.947	4147461.448
eisl	41703	-1884951.760	-5357595.877	-2892890.504
fair†	40408	-2281621.431	-1453595.793	5756961.909
flin	40135	-766174.416	-3611375.303	5184056.250
fort†	41602	4985386.627	-3954998.587	-428426.482
gala	42005	-33796.116	-6377522.655	-82120.899
geno	12712	4507892.447	707621.329	4441603.426
glsv	12356	3512889.114	2068979.763	4888903.141
gode†	80032	1130773.867	-4831253.583	3994200.409
gold	40405	-2353614.181	-4641385.388	3676976.454
gope	11502	3979316.259	1050312.340	4857067.020
goug	30608	4795578.541	-835299.537	-4107634.065
gras	10002	4581691.012	556114.680	4389360.696
graz†	11001	4194423.960	1162702.549	4647245.328
guam†	50501	-5071312.800	3568363.492	1488904.316
harv	80030	-2686069.302	-4527084.330	3589502.308
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Table F.3: MSODP implemented Stations(208) for the Optimal Set Study. (continued)

site ID	DOMES	X[m]	Y[m]	Z[m]
hers	13212	4033470.217	23672.770	4924301.233
hflk	11006	4248505.175	855575.595	4667172.195
hnpt	49913	1196626.466	-4846358.507	3956723.098
hob2†	50116	-3950071.361	2522415.185	-4311638.362
hofn	10204	2679690.006	-727951.336	5722789.146
holb	40130	-2503040.416	-3188233.336	4908701.563
holc	40404	-2459517.947	-4655992.282	3589168.804
holp	49903	-2500945.815	-4670473.245	3539500.425
hrao	30302	5085352.489	2668395.670	-2768731.676
iisc	22306	1337936.813	6070317.106	1427876.516
ineg	40507	-1260435.744	-5788547.698	2360340.250
irkt†	12313	-968332.190	3794425.411	5018167.758
jabl	50136	-4236442.824	4559929.623	-1388624.653
jama	42601	1388059.738	-5909149.083	1951963.837
joze	12204	3664940.315	1409153.741	5009571.323
jplm	40400	-2493304.198	-4655215.451	3565497.383
karr	50139	-2713832.258	5303935.087	-2269515.012
kely	43005	1575559.280	-1941827.932	5848076.502
kergr†	91201	1406337.336	3918161.100	-4816167.355
kiru	10403	2251420.923	862817.135	5885476.614
kit3†	12334	1944945.356	4556652.193	4004325.976
kokb†	40424	-5543838.118	-2054587.260	2387809.705
kosg	13504	3899225.245	396731.809	5015078.351
kour†	97301	3839591.421	-5059567.553	579956.935
kr0g	10422	2248123.320	865686.592	5886425.686
kstu	12349	-174281.721	3571333.012	5264196.061
kunm	21609	-1281255.473	5640746.079	2682880.117
kwjl†	50506	-6160881.013	1339882.959	960810.459
lama	12209	3524523.073	1329693.519	5129846.289
lbch	40482	-2507798.449	-4676370.054	3526890.666
leep	49902	-2507463.082	-4652632.264	3559086.685
lhas†	21613	-106937.669	5549269.591	3139215.762
long	40485	-2482077.362	-4667439.251	3556771.594
lpgr†	41510	2780102.969	-4437418.863	-3629404.583
mac1†	50135	-3464038.501	1334172.763	-5169224.323
madr	13407	4849202.462	-360329.081	4114913.083
mag0	12354	-2825810.143	1581232.927	5477005.540
mali†	33201	4865366.477	4110737.432	-331121.706
mas1†	31303	5439192.252	-1522055.633	2953454.722
mate†	12734	4641949.707	1393045.271	4133287.343
math	40474	-2443215.352	-4706037.477	3533477.600
mawl	66004	1111287.166	2168911.279	-5874493.595
mcm4†	66001	-1311703.250	310815.104	-6213255.125
mdo1†	40442	-1329998.678	-5328393.387	3236504.199
mdvo	12309	2844672.267	2161070.079	5266363.806
medi	12711	4461400.895	919593.423	4449504.682
mets	80005	2892570.923	1311843.330	5512634.057
mkea	40477	-5464105.097	-2495166.895	2148290.939
monp	40497	-2386246.845	-4802359.598	3444902.121
mr6g	10405	2998189.527	931451.662	5533398.581
nano	40138	-2335726.738	-3451608.345	4812009.996
nico	14302	4359415.849	2874116.974	3650777.712
nklg	32809	6287385.842	1071574.385	39132.745
nlib†	40465	-130934.482	-4762291.737	4226854.669
noto	12717	4934528.655	1321262.222	3806479.519
noum	92701	-5739971.535	1387563.663	-2402123.551
nrcl	40114	1112777.321	-4341475.826	4522955.775
nssp	12312	3478646.842	3418805.729	4097987.116
ntus	22601	-1508022.690	6195576.699	148799.482
nyal	80003	1202433.960	252632.229	6237772.513
nyal†	10317	1202430.643	252626.646	6237767.533
oat2	80033	-2524553.534	-4630094.340	3577352.088
onsa†	10402	3370658.663	711877.023	5349786.877
penc	11206	4052449.626	1417680.986	4701407.038
pert†	50133	-2368686.968	4881316.517	-3341796.161
petp	12355	-3576239.756	1401003.444	5075177.505
pie1†	40456	-1640916.793	-5014781.204	3575447.142
pimo	22003	-3186294.170	5286624.093	1601158.176
pol2	12348	1239971.586	4530790.055	4302578.777
pots†	14106	3800689.768	882077.259	5028791.246
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Table F.3: MSODP implemented Stations(208) for the Optimal Set Study. (continued)

site ID	DOMES	X[m]	Y[m]	Z[m]
prds	40124	-1659602.844	-3676725.756	4925493.611
pvep	40403	-2525523.162	-4670030.707	3522843.104
quin	40433	-2517231.003	-4198595.164	4076531.251
ramo	20703	4514722.017	3133507.725	3228024.574
reyk	10202	2587384.489	-1043033.504	5716563.979
riog†	41507	1429907.727	-3495354.740	-5122698.672
riop	42006	1255144.990	-6253609.537	-182569.867
roch	40486	-2382183.274	-4755085.074	3511367.707
rock	40478	-2533219.884	-4631543.705	3568400.368
sant†	41705	1769693.337	-5044574.148	-3468321.048
sch2	40133	1448636.903	-3385243.649	5191046.936
scip	49915	-2556587.402	-4711014.066	3446241.381
sele	12352	1046790.836	4540257.051	4342920.758
sey1	39801	3602870.766	5238174.329	-516275.514
sfer	13402	5105519.055	-555146.005	3769803.246
shao†	21605	-2831733.268	4675666.039	3275369.521
sio3	40460	-2455456.521	-4767480.705	3441383.654
snil	49909	-2631346.566	-4646278.982	3477113.259
sofi	11101	4319372.228	1868687.631	4292063.865
soll	49907	1173608.863	-4871160.862	3933263.105
spkl	40458	-2535991.605	-4642435.287	3552148.093
stjo	40101	2612631.229	-3426807.026	4686757.805
suth	30314	5041274.808	1916053.992	-3397076.074
suwn	23903	-3062022.653	4055448.089	3841818.340
syog	66006	1766207.841	1460290.350	-5932297.680
tabl	49901	-2448549.823	-4668099.290	3582740.937
thti	92201	-5246415.202	-3077260.424	-1913842.475
thul†	43001	538981.422	-1388714.794	6181005.139
tidb†	50103	-4460996.129	2682557.076	-3674443.693
tixi	12360	-1264873.036	1569455.795	6031003.458
torp	49912	-2517894.221	-4670260.212	3527827.455
tow2	50140	-5054582.693	3275504.449	-2091539.703
trab	20808	3705250.492	3084421.557	4162044.636
trak	40480	-2480029.028	-4703111.049	3511298.477
trol	80002	2102928.615	721619.378	5958196.182
trom†	10302	2102940.337	721569.379	5958192.113
tskb†	21730	-3957199.240	3310199.668	3737711.708
uclp	80034	-2519006.908	-4650672.626	3552862.645
uclu	40140	-2440669.053	-3416437.076	4785136.866
urum	21612	193030.873	4606851.324	4393311.421
uscl	40487	-2507564.595	-4659953.553	3548660.889
usna	49908	1160668.929	-4826883.325	3990863.060
usno	40451	1112189.893	-4842955.037	3985352.249
usud	21729	-3855262.998	3427432.519	3741020.362
vene	12741	4379724.871	957495.734	4521605.129
vesl	66009	2009329.713	-99741.474	-6033158.472
vill†	13406	4849833.786	-335049.186	4116014.840
vndp	40420	-2678089.919	-4525437.661	3597431.568
vs0g	10423	3246470.378	1077900.392	5365278.018
wes2†	40440	1492233.369	-4458089.483	4296046.010
whcl	40461	-2488199.015	-4673487.488	3544649.152
whit	40136	-2218337.816	-2201205.112	5543057.583
widc	49917	-2354850.049	-4745524.099	3540692.991
will	40134	-2084258.009	-3313872.988	5019853.098
wlsn	80026	-2483640.617	-4660073.111	3568172.089
wroc	12217	3835751.428	1177249.830	4941605.159
wslr	40141	-2227013.617	-3439649.113	4872522.251
wsrt†	13506	3828735.985	443304.827	5064884.632
wtr†	14201	4075580.685	931853.660	4801568.054
wuhn	21602	-2267749.162	5009154.325	3221290.762
xian	21614	-1735212.505	4976840.109	3580538.372
yakz	12353	-1915023.239	2308213.235	5610225.002
yar1†	50107	-2389025.536	5043316.872	-3078530.731
yell†	40127	-1224452.501	-2689216.107	5633638.278
ykro	32601	6306439.987	-578381.058	757956.265
yskk	12329	-3465320.798	2638269.400	4644085.493
zeck	12351	3451174.880	3060335.313	4391955.568
zimm	14001	4331297.177	567555.732	4633133.840
zwen†	12330	2886325.543	2155998.399	5245816.145

F.2 Optimal Set Selection Criteria

F.2.1 Station Coordinates Accuracy

Table F.4: IGS Stations SIGMA

site Id	DOMES Number	position			Velocity			Total	
		σ_x (cm)	σ_y (cm)	σ_z (cm)	σ_{Vx} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vy} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vz} (cm/yr)	σ_{pos} (cm)	σ_{vel} (cm/yr)
albh	40129M003	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.24	0.09
algo	40104M002	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
alic	50137M001	0.80	0.80	0.50	0.29	0.30	0.19	1.24	0.46
amc2	40472S004	0.50	1.20	1.00	0.17	0.42	0.34	1.64	0.57
ankr	20805M002	0.80	0.50	0.80	0.08	0.06	0.08	1.24	0.13
aoal	40483S001	0.40	0.60	0.40	0.22	0.31	0.23	0.82	0.44
aoml	49914S001	0.20	0.60	0.30	0.09	0.21	0.11	0.70	0.25
areq	42202M005	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.24	0.06
artu	12362M001	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.10	0.10	0.12	0.71	0.19
ascl	30602M001	0.40	0.20	0.10	0.15	0.07	0.04	0.46	0.17
auck	50209M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.08	0.04	0.07	0.30	0.11
azul	49911M001	0.80	1.10	0.80	0.43	0.65	0.46	1.58	0.90
bahr	24901M002	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.08	0.09	0.06	0.35	0.13
bako	23101M002	0.60	0.60	0.30	0.24	0.27	0.12	0.90	0.38
barb	43401S001	0.50	0.70	0.30	0.19	0.29	0.11	0.91	0.36
bili	12363M001	4.40	3.80	11.00	1.53	1.31	3.80	12.44	4.30
bjfs	21601M001	1.40	1.90	1.70	0.40	0.55	0.49	2.91	0.84
blyt	40479M001	2.20	3.20	2.30	0.27	0.45	0.32	4.51	0.61
bogt	41901M001	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.15	0.27	0.06	0.59	0.31
borl	12205M002	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.02	0.06	0.30	0.08
bran	40400M301	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.41	0.09
braz	41606M001	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.16	0.17	0.08	0.47	0.25
brmu	42501S004	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.30	0.07
brus	13101M004	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.02	0.06	0.30	0.08
bucu	11401M001	1.40	1.00	1.40	0.48	0.34	0.47	2.22	0.75
bzrg	12751M001	0.90	0.50	0.90	0.40	0.21	0.42	1.37	0.62
cagl	12725M003	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.07	0.03	0.07	0.30	0.10
casl	66011M001	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.04	0.05	0.10	0.37	0.12
casa	40437M002	1.40	2.20	1.80	0.54	0.91	0.76	3.17	1.30
catl	40488M001	0.40	0.60	0.50	0.26	0.36	0.26	0.88	0.51
cedu	50138M001	0.90	0.90	0.80	0.33	0.34	0.29	1.50	0.56
chat	50207M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.07	0.04	0.07	0.30	0.11
chil	40484M001	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.41	0.20
chur	40128M002	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.37	0.13
chwk	40142M001	5.10	6.10	7.40	1.92	2.31	2.78	10.86	4.09
cicl	40508M002	0.90	1.40	1.00	0.31	0.49	0.34	1.94	0.67
citl	40400S201	0.30	0.50	0.40	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.71	0.09
clar	49906M001	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.41	0.20
cmp9	49905M003	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.09	0.14	0.10	0.47	0.19
coco	50127M001	0.10	0.40	0.20	0.06	0.16	0.06	0.46	0.18
cord	41511M001	0.50	0.70	0.60	0.11	0.11	0.11	1.05	0.19
coso	40469M001	0.60	0.90	0.70	0.36	0.52	0.40	1.29	0.75
crfp	40481M001	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.47	0.20
cro1	43201M001	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.03	0.06	0.04	0.24	0.08
csn1	49910S001	2.30	3.10	2.30	0.37	0.53	0.39	4.49	0.75
daej	23902M002	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.12	0.15	0.14	0.81	0.24
darw	50134M001	2.30	2.60	1.10	0.75	0.83	0.36	3.64	1.18
davl	66010M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.33	0.08
dgar	30802M001	0.20	0.40	0.20	0.09	0.18	0.05	0.49	0.21
dhlg	49904M001	2.50	3.70	2.60	0.36	0.57	0.40	5.17	0.78
drag	20710S001	12.80	11.00	9.90	3.54	3.05	2.75	19.57	5.42
drao	40105M002	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.24	0.08
dubo	40137M001	0.10	0.30	0.30	0.05	0.12	0.14	0.44	0.19
ebre	13410M001	0.30	0.10	0.30	0.13	0.03	0.11	0.44	0.17
eisl	41703M003	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.30	0.08
fair	40408M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.24	0.05
flin	40135M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.30	0.13
fort	41602M001	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.30	0.06
gala	42005M001	0.20	0.60	0.10	0.09	0.22	0.05	0.64	0.24
geno	12712M002	0.90	0.30	0.90	0.37	0.11	0.36	1.31	0.53
glsv	12356M001	0.50	0.30	0.60	0.19	0.12	0.25	0.84	0.34
gode	40451M123	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.30	0.04
gold	40405S031	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
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Table F.4: IGS Stations SIGMA (continued)

site Id	DOMES Number	position			Velocity			Total	
		σ_x (cm)	σ_y (cm)	σ_z (cm)	σ_{Vx} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vy} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vz} (cm/yr)	σ_{pos} (cm)	σ_{vel} (cm/yr)
gope	11502M002	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.07	0.03	0.09	0.30	0.12
goug	30608M001	0.90	0.40	0.80	0.39	0.18	0.34	1.27	0.55
gras	10002M006	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.30	0.05
graz	11001M002	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.30	0.05
guam	50501M002	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.35	0.12
harv	40420M101	0.60	1.00	0.80	0.32	0.44	0.34	1.41	0.64
hers	13212M007	0.30	0.10	0.40	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.51	0.04
hflk	11006S003	0.30	0.10	0.30	0.13	0.04	0.14	0.44	0.20
hnpt	49913S001	0.30	0.50	0.40	0.15	0.26	0.20	0.71	0.36
hob2	50116M004	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.30	0.07
hofn	10204M002	0.30	0.10	0.50	0.13	0.06	0.24	0.59	0.28
holb	40130M001	1.10	1.20	1.50	0.47	0.54	0.70	2.21	1.00
holc	40404M101	1.10	1.40	1.10	0.10	0.15	0.11	2.09	0.21
holp	49903M001	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.11	0.15	0.11	0.47	0.22
hrao	30302M004	0.30	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.03	0.04	0.41	0.07
iisc	22306M002	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.41	0.12
ineg	40507M001	3.90	13.30	5.90	1.33	4.43	1.95	15.06	5.02
irkt	12313M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.30	0.11
jabl	50136M001	3.00	3.20	1.10	1.27	1.37	0.48	4.52	1.93
jama	42601S001	12.20	39.10	15.40	4.06	12.95	5.12	43.76	14.51
joze	12204M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.06	0.03	0.08	0.30	0.10
jplm	40400M007	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.30	0.09
karr	50139M001	0.60	1.00	0.50	0.22	0.37	0.18	1.27	0.47
kely	43005M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.33	0.15
kerf	91201M002	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.30	0.12
kiru	10403M002	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.03	0.10	0.33	0.11
kit3	12334M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.30	0.10
kokb	40424M004	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.30	0.05
kosg	13504M003	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.24	0.06
kour	97301M210	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.03	0.30	0.11
kr0g	10422M001	0.50	0.20	1.30	0.25	0.12	0.65	1.41	0.71
kstu	12349M002	0.20	0.30	0.50	0.07	0.15	0.21	0.62	0.27
kunm	21609M001	1.00	2.20	1.20	0.37	0.83	0.43	2.70	1.01
kwjl	50506M001	0.30	0.20	0.20	0.16	0.08	0.06	0.41	0.19
lama	12209M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.02	0.07	0.24	0.09
lbch	40482M001	0.70	1.10	0.80	0.53	0.75	0.55	1.53	1.07
leap	49902M001	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.41	0.20
lhas	21613M001	0.10	0.30	0.20	0.05	0.11	0.07	0.37	0.14
long	40485M001	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.11	0.16	0.12	0.47	0.23
lpgs	41510M001	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.06	0.09	0.08	0.35	0.13
mac1	50135M001	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.06	0.04	0.08	0.37	0.11
madr	13407S012	0.70	0.30	0.60	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.97	0.07
mag0	12354M001	0.40	0.30	0.60	0.14	0.11	0.23	0.78	0.29
mali	33201M001	0.90	0.90	0.20	0.14	0.13	0.04	1.29	0.20
mas1	31303M002	0.20	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.03	0.05	0.24	0.09
mate	12734M008	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.30	0.05
math	40474M001	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.08	0.12	0.09	0.41	0.17
maw1	66004M001	0.20	0.30	0.80	0.08	0.12	0.28	0.88	0.31
mcm4	66001M003	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.04	0.13	0.33	0.14
mdol	40442M012	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.30	0.04
mdvo	12309M002	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.08	0.07	0.15	0.37	0.18
medi	12711M003	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.30	0.06
met5	10503S011	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.02	0.06	0.24	0.07
mkea	40477M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.30	0.08
monp	40497M004	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.30	0.05
mr6g	10405M002	0.60	0.20	1.00	0.28	0.11	0.49	1.18	0.57
nano	40138M001	1.40	1.80	2.10	0.67	0.83	1.00	3.10	1.46
nico	14302M001	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.17	0.12	0.14	0.58	0.25
nklg	32809M002	0.70	0.80	0.40	0.22	0.24	0.13	1.14	0.35
nlib	40465M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
noto	12717M003	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.30	0.06
noum	92701M003	0.50	0.30	0.30	0.18	0.11	0.11	0.66	0.24
nrc1	40114M001	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.05	0.09	0.10	0.37	0.14
nssp	12312M001	1.10	1.10	1.10	0.55	0.55	0.58	1.91	0.97
ntus	22601M001	0.40	0.80	0.20	0.14	0.31	0.07	0.92	0.35
nyal	10317M003	0.10	0.10	0.40	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.42	0.06
nyal	10317M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.33	0.06
oat2	40478S101	0.40	0.50	0.40	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.75	0.20
onsa	10402M004	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.24	0.05
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Table F.4: IGS Stations SIGMA (continued)

site Id	DOMES Number	position			Velocity			Total	
		σ_x (cm)	σ_y (cm)	σ_z (cm)	σ_{Vx} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vy} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vz} (cm/yr)	σ_{pos} (cm)	σ_{vel} (cm/yr)
penc	11206M006	0.30	0.10	0.30	0.12	0.05	0.14	0.44	0.19
pert	50133M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.30	0.10
petp	12355M002	0.70	0.40	0.90	0.26	0.15	0.33	1.21	0.45
piel	40456M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
pimo	22003M001	0.60	0.80	0.40	0.11	0.12	0.12	1.08	0.20
pol2	12348M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.09	0.09	0.30	0.14
pots	14106M003	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.24	0.06
prds	40124M001	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.17	0.20	0.23	0.81	0.35
pvep	40403M002	0.70	1.00	0.80	0.25	0.41	0.30	1.46	0.57
quin	40433M004	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
ramo	20703S001	0.80	0.60	0.60	0.32	0.24	0.23	1.17	0.46
reyk	10202M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.24	0.09
riog	41507M004	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.07	0.09	0.11	0.54	0.16
riop	42006M001	2.50	4.40	1.10	0.82	1.58	0.38	5.18	1.82
roch	40486M001	0.30	0.50	0.40	0.17	0.24	0.18	0.71	0.34
rock	40478M002	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.14	0.11	0.41	0.20
sant	41705M003	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.30	0.09
sch2	40133M002	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.08	0.13	0.18	0.54	0.24
scip	49915M001	0.70	1.10	0.80	0.34	0.50	0.35	1.53	0.70
sele	12352M001	0.20	0.40	0.40	0.09	0.19	0.17	0.60	0.27
sey1	39801M001	0.80	1.00	0.20	0.35	0.44	0.09	1.30	0.57
sfer	13402M004	0.70	0.20	0.50	0.25	0.06	0.19	0.88	0.32
shao	21605M002	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.30	0.08
sio3	40460M004	0.50	0.80	0.60	0.26	0.40	0.28	1.12	0.55
sn1l	49909S001	0.70	1.00	0.80	0.37	0.52	0.38	1.46	0.74
sofi	11101M002	0.50	0.20	0.40	0.26	0.13	0.25	0.67	0.38
sol1	49907S001	0.10	0.30	0.20	0.07	0.12	0.10	0.37	0.17
spk1	40458M001	0.50	0.70	0.50	0.28	0.39	0.28	0.99	0.56
stjo	40101M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.24	0.07
suth	30314M002	0.60	0.30	0.40	0.22	0.12	0.15	0.78	0.29
suwn	23903M001	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.23	0.28	0.26	0.98	0.45
syog	66006S002	0.30	0.20	0.70	0.08	0.08	0.18	0.79	0.21
tabl	49901M001	0.20	0.40	0.30	0.12	0.18	0.14	0.54	0.26
thti	92201M009	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.52	0.13
thul	43001M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.02	0.03	0.10	0.33	0.11
tidb	50103M108	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.30	0.07
tixi	12360M001	0.40	0.40	1.10	0.13	0.14	0.39	1.24	0.43
torp	49912M001	0.90	1.20	0.90	0.49	0.70	0.50	1.75	0.99
tow2	50140M001	0.90	0.60	0.50	0.33	0.24	0.17	1.19	0.44
trab	20808M001	14.70	13.40	15.20	4.19	3.80	4.33	25.03	7.12
trak	40480M001	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.11	0.15	0.12	0.47	0.22
trol	10302M006	0.30	0.20	0.90	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.97	0.09
trom	10302M003	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.33	0.09
tskb	21730S005	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.35	0.09
uclp	40487M002	0.40	0.50	0.40	0.18	0.25	0.19	0.75	0.36
uclu	40140M001	1.40	1.60	1.90	0.64	0.76	0.92	2.85	1.35
urum	21612M001	0.30	0.60	0.60	0.09	0.22	0.20	0.90	0.31
uscl	40487M001	0.40	0.50	0.40	0.18	0.25	0.19	0.75	0.36
usna	49908S001	0.20	0.40	0.30	0.12	0.21	0.17	0.54	0.30
usno	40451S003	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.30	0.05
usud	21729S007	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.35	0.09
vene	12741M001	0.40	0.10	0.40	0.18	0.05	0.18	0.57	0.26
vesl	66009M001	0.30	0.20	0.50	0.09	0.09	0.11	0.62	0.17
vill	13406M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.30	0.07
vndp	40420M007	0.50	0.70	0.60	0.06	0.09	0.08	1.05	0.13
vs0g	10423M001	0.60	0.20	1.00	0.30	0.12	0.48	1.18	0.58
wes2	40440S020	0.20	0.40	0.40	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.60	0.04
whcl	40461M001	0.40	0.60	0.50	0.25	0.35	0.26	0.88	0.50
whit	40136M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.33	0.12
wide	49917M001	0.50	0.80	0.60	0.24	0.37	0.27	1.12	0.52
will	40134M001	0.20	0.20	0.30	0.07	0.09	0.13	0.41	0.17
wlsn	40400M101	0.50	0.70	0.50	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.99	0.09
wroc	12217M001	0.60	0.20	0.80	0.37	0.13	0.47	1.02	0.61
wslr	40141M001	1.30	1.60	1.90	0.64	0.79	0.95	2.80	1.39
wstr	13506M005	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.09	0.04	0.12	0.37	0.16
wtzr	14201M010	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.24	0.05
wuhn	21602M001	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.07	0.12	0.09	0.41	0.17
xian	21614M001	0.10	0.30	0.20	0.08	0.17	0.13	0.37	0.23
yakz	12353M001	0.30	0.30	0.60	0.11	0.13	0.23	0.73	0.29
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Table F.4: IGS Stations SIGMA (continued)

site Id	DOMES Number	position			Velocity			Total	
		σ_x (cm)	σ_y (cm)	σ_z (cm)	σ_{Vx} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vy} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vz} (cm/yr)	σ_{pos} (cm)	σ_{vel} (cm/yr)
yarl	50107M004	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
yell	40127M003	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.24	0.07
ykro	32601M001	2.00	0.60	0.50	0.12	0.11	0.11	2.15	0.20
yssk	12329M003	0.80	0.70	0.90	0.23	0.22	0.25	1.39	0.40
zeck	12351M001	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.13	0.12	0.15	0.58	0.23
zimm	14001M004	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.37	0.07
zwen	12330M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.04	0.08	0.24	0.10

Table F.5: MSODP's IGS ITRF Ref Stations (52) SIGMA

site Id	DOMES Number	position			Velocity			Total	
		σ_x (cm)	σ_y (cm)	σ_z (cm)	σ_{Vx} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vy} (cm/yr)	σ_{Vz} (cm/yr)	σ_{pos} (cm)	σ_{vel} (cm/yr)
algo	40104M002	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
ascl	30602M001	0.40	0.20	0.10	0.15	0.07	0.04	0.46	0.17
auck	50209M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.08	0.04	0.07	0.30	0.11
bahr	24901M002	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.08	0.09	0.06	0.35	0.13
brmu	42501S004	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.30	0.07
casl	66011M001	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.04	0.05	0.10	0.37	0.12
cedu	50138M001	0.90	0.90	0.80	0.33	0.34	0.29	1.50	0.56
chat	50207M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.07	0.04	0.07	0.30	0.11
davl	66010M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.33	0.08
dgar	30802M001	0.20	0.40	0.20	0.09	0.18	0.05	0.49	0.21
drao	40105M002	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.24	0.08
fair	40408M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.24	0.05
fort	41602M001	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.30	0.06
gode	40451M123	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.30	0.04
gol2	40405S031	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
graz	11001M002	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.30	0.05
guam	50501M002	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.35	0.12
hob2	50116M004	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.30	0.07
irkt	12313M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.30	0.11
kerg	91201M002	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.30	0.12
kit3	12334M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.30	0.10
kokb	40424M004	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.30	0.05
kour	97301M210	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.03	0.30	0.11
kwjl	50506M001	0.30	0.20	0.20	0.16	0.08	0.06	0.41	0.19
lhas	21613M001	0.10	0.30	0.20	0.05	0.11	0.07	0.37	0.14
lpgs	41510M001	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.06	0.09	0.08	0.35	0.13
mac1	50135M001	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.06	0.04	0.08	0.37	0.11
mali	33201M001	0.90	0.90	0.20	0.14	0.13	0.04	1.29	0.20
mas1	31303M002	0.20	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.03	0.05	0.24	0.09
mate	12734M008	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.30	0.05
mcm4	66001M003	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.04	0.13	0.33	0.14
mdol	40442M012	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.30	0.04
nlib	40465M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
nyal	10317M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.33	0.06
onsa	10402M004	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.24	0.05
pert	50133M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.30	0.10
piel	40456M001	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
pots	14106M003	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.24	0.06
riog	41507M004	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.07	0.09	0.11	0.54	0.16
sant	41705M003	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.30	0.09
shao	21605M002	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.30	0.08
thul	43001M001	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.02	0.03	0.10	0.33	0.11
tidb	50103M108	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.30	0.07
trom	10302M003	0.10	0.10	0.30	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.33	0.09
tskb	21730S005	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.35	0.09
vill	13406M001	0.20	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.30	0.07
wes2	40440S020	0.20	0.40	0.40	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.60	0.04
wsrt	13506M005	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.09	0.04	0.12	0.37	0.16
wtzr	14201M010	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.24	0.05
yar1	50107M004	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.30	0.05
yell	40127M003	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.24	0.07
zwen	12330M001	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.05	0.04	0.08	0.24	0.10

F.2.2 Station daily performance quality

Table F.6: Station Performance Sample(Jan 21, 2002)

site ld	epochs	clock	p-code Residual	Phase Residual	phase breaks	days Processed	Days Since Last Day processed
agmt	273.31	42.18	33.33	5.55	53.10	494	2
albh	285.07	12641.97	46.55	5.91	56.16	2226	2
algo	285.29	48.73	48.66	5.67	53.22	2234	2
alic	280.34	96.04	50.40	6.77	50.10	424	2
amc2	280.43	7.09	41.54	6.60	52.35	425	2
ankr	273.87	745.91	65.06	7.63	58.20	1615	2
aoal	282.52	335.39	61.84	7.09	56.35	2208	2
azry	281.91	3766.83	35.88	6.79	65.23	643	2
azul	280.84	2226876.19	44.43	7.14	61.73	1611	3
bahr	283.50	2054.03	43.98	9.15	64.64	1690	2
bako	260.38	283160.81	71.19	9.25	63.66	495	112
barb	269.45	82.33	36.37	8.52	53.37	372	431
barh	277.71	288045.89	62.34	7.29	61.59	316	109
bbry	282.60	29514.69	73.42	6.82	60.29	745	3
bgis	281.28	1026.38	70.72	7.44	64.13	679	3
bili	274.64	2778.03	38.26	6.38	100.30	232	2
bill	278.78	838.62	51.48	6.41	76.94	961	2
bkms	283.04	681.41	48.27	6.69	57.26	1018	3
blyt	283.40	153358.40	39.28	7.60	52.52	2087	2
bmhl	268.89	1049.53	50.72	5.80	83.60	394	2
bmry	283.15	1215.99	59.66	6.29	56.07	694	2
bogt	262.64	2456.49	75.54	8.06	81.93	981	778
borl	284.71	6463.14	53.53	6.50	65.84	2190	2
bran	284.19	8310.47	86.47	7.39	57.93	2061	3
braz	276.75	46228.27	60.02	9.74	73.33	680	468
brib	281.14	251141.40	63.39	8.55	47.27	1493	729
brmu	283.63	191.54	45.57	7.21	52.68	2160	2
brul	279.97	290313.58	120.25	11.19	58.22	881	876
brus	280.89	298.35	59.34	6.54	71.57	2162	2
bsry	283.03	1458.96	54.69	6.62	63.45	900	3
btdm	272.03	620.86	43.04	5.78	49.56	209	3
bucu	278.14	288971.22	39.12	6.67	56.23	417	2
bzrg	279.15	68.09	95.37	7.74	44.20	427	2
cact	277.44	504.24	47.96	6.39	59.40	202	2
cagl	280.11	29539.70	55.66	7.02	63.19	1469	2
canb	276.04	304.03	7.99	6.84	53.61	2096	2
carr	287.25	110.34	54.50	9.15	55.45	20	1444
casl	275.73	354453.93	38.09	8.19	101.02	1810	2
casa	274.09	252566.76	42.55	6.37	70.48	1908	3
cat1	284.48	430.43	42.36	6.49	54.33	2043	3
cat2	269.36	319.34	29.59	5.13	56.79	211	2
cbhs	276.16	2544.31	53.48	6.39	61.68	659	2
ccco	274.15	2299.98	54.65	6.21	97.50	824	3
cccs	283.60	1113.60	51.72	6.54	60.00	843	2
cedu	279.74	178.99	33.27	6.22	52.45	419	4
chab	280.16	194467.44	56.48	7.69	51.38	1380	732
chat	284.97	93.34	79.95	8.96	60.37	2057	2
chil	274.81	127722.98	45.47	7.45	48.72	2032	3
chms	278.27	1001.73	49.62	6.42	63.14	555	3
chur	281.57	8295.47	36.31	6.55	90.41	1797	2
chwk	281.47	119.07	67.57	6.10	59.58	434	2
cic1	279.73	90.01	55.68	5.61	51.07	432	2
cice	282.13	9046.48	35.52	6.28	52.96	1323	1033
cit1	279.93	2747.04	49.76	6.10	54.73	2035	3
cjms	281.33	633.25	61.20	7.12	56.80	685	3
clar	281.92	141690.81	79.31	7.12	50.82	2099	3
cmbb	274.21	354413.74	80.85	9.32	68.32	1360	748
cmp9	276.09	220480.97	54.58	7.72	65.60	1905	3
cnpp	275.01	458.74	45.81	5.87	56.72	194	2
coat	244.27	12646.55	44.16	7.84	239.07	154	1367
coco	270.01	12205.19	45.16	8.50	134.99	1489	2
cord	266.60	30.23	69.55	6.06	81.93	405	2
coso	277.94	153364.66	52.18	6.89	54.67	1772	4
cotd	280.53	470.73	45.22	8.59	62.89	430	2
crfp	283.64	128790.24	45.76	7.25	52.14	2132	2
crhs	282.41	693.51	41.16	6.45	57.76	560	43
crol	278.03	2915.15	47.49	7.58	75.03	1980	2
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Table F.6: Station Performance Sample(Jan 21, 2002). (continued)

site ld	epochs	clock	p-code Residual	Phase Residual	phase breaks	days Processed	Days Since Last Day processed
crrs	281.04	2514.74	32.35	6.35	70.51	846	2
crul	278.47	950.09	55.42	5.81	62.64	329	2
csdh	281.21	1102.53	42.73	6.10	73.48	1024	3
csn1	256.95	4606.13	55.69	6.77	96.21	1666	4
ctms	281.92	250.22	46.71	6.42	61.28	676	3
cuhs	280.34	203.49	71.36	7.03	56.51	354	3
cvhs	274.59	1368.17	62.86	6.65	59.70	978	3
daej	279.25	1300.09	78.35	7.12	69.33	400	3
dam1	283.12	296080.10	44.43	7.26	46.12	1536	657
dam2	277.44	140393.36	73.58	7.56	44.68	1673	3
darw	269.18	245269.25	39.64	7.35	64.08	373	2
dav1	259.03	2903.55	90.89	7.93	107.05	1750	2
denc	285.93	289043.80	57.14	5.39	256.76	137	2258
dgar	239.12	51238.94	62.51	9.38	71.49	1547	429
dhlg	281.65	104160.37	26.41	6.64	60.30	1683	2
drao	287.86	5.66	34.86	6.62	54.76	21	1444
dshs	245.35	1040.47	52.40	6.50	61.22	554	3
dssc	282.57	1304.63	70.21	6.71	54.64	858	2
dubo	285.03	272.91	44.96	5.74	66.04	1640	2
dvpb	269.58	684.26	44.23	5.99	53.76	294	2
dyhs	273.01	9615.34	56.43	7.05	67.97	1015	13
ebre	282.76	286547.75	51.34	7.21	66.51	1623	2
ecco	281.59	266.46	42.73	7.23	58.20	697	3
edpp	136.52	22.02	32.52	5.58	165.00	31	138
eisl	275.47	1312423.85	57.39	10.40	60.49	1887	2
elsc	282.08	395.40	60.72	6.67	65.39	611	3
engl	278.51	278165.40	103.07	12.44	48.82	1098	876
eprt	276.98	289407.93	68.76	6.39	67.37	429	2
fort	269.12	5219.88	68.21	9.43	84.08	2140	2
fvpk	283.76	306.81	36.71	6.30	57.51	892	2
fxhs	264.83	1239.74	64.14	6.85	51.70	556	4
fzhs	283.93	409.77	44.86	6.97	52.64	982	3
gala	273.84	309141.62	50.27	8.12	72.23	1257	2
geno	279.86	288016.11	74.39	7.21	61.92	416	2
ggao	276.44	38866.84	43.92	6.72	56.60	2118	2
ghrp	245.08	63.37	56.66	5.91	58.55	230	2
glrs	270.22	38.46	58.33	5.33	62.44	9	60
glsv	275.29	288470.75	52.78	6.48	73.19	359	2
gmrc	251.48	212.41	54.40	6.51	50.01	354	3
gnps	281.15	1060.49	90.79	6.63	53.79	246	90
gode	284.61	53.64	50.22	6.00	57.89	18	1445
gol2	278.52	173.58	57.67	5.52	110.52	1969	2
gold	266.77	583.30	9.32	5.41	59.01	2023	2
gope	281.53	220247.74	49.99	8.77	49.69	1868	2
goug	281.02	288987.55	62.98	8.02	59.91	241	18
graz	278.23	3690.15	60.13	6.65	64.83	2096	2
guam	277.07	80514.35	66.95	8.73	58.38	2133	2
hark	281.51	37364.37	77.04	8.76	82.25	907	526
hart	271.83	103.15	29.95	7.90	53.64	688	1673
harv	280.43	6092143.55	67.98	7.39	50.37	2060	4
hbco	273.70	327.81	62.88	6.72	73.39	181	2
hbrk	279.77	286349.24	48.56	7.34	70.44	794	1547
hcmn	273.71	1747.45	48.03	6.18	75.30	320	2
hers	267.76	3185.02	11.51	6.55	68.15	1921	2
hflk	281.83	908075.58	76.79	6.45	72.86	1349	2
hivi	278.80	114.70	79.21	8.26	73.67	272	2
hklo	280.77	282860.59	49.44	7.32	94.09	817	1547
hnps	256.64	424.09	28.12	7.02	51.28	301	90
hnpt	279.67	5669.47	58.61	6.03	58.70	1312	2
hob2	273.95	7354.92	51.34	7.69	92.95	1785	2
hofn	278.60	287607.48	51.82	7.63	95.30	1086	2
holb	280.33	28943.28	48.41	5.50	51.39	418	12
holc	276.63	162002.20	96.82	8.57	63.10	1941	56
holp	278.34	110836.00	60.56	8.64	73.92	1994	3
hopb	282.07	258231.67	59.27	6.90	59.86	1216	730
hrao	281.90	17986.23	63.36	7.77	71.45	1291	2
hvlk	281.97	288381.62	70.50	8.30	53.36	359	1499
iid2	275.16	671.27	65.23	6.11	58.81	202	2
iisc	262.58	32554.54	75.66	10.00	63.26	1744	6
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site ld	epochs	clock	p-code Residual	Phase Residual	phase breaks	days Processed	Days Since Last Day processed
imps	262.00	66.58	26.45	6.74	49.26	278	90
ineg	270.05	288850.00	60.29	5.75	182.09	220	5
irkt	282.71	8840.68	62.77	8.54	66.69	1946	3
islk	280.58	1297.22	30.93	6.73	52.79	421	3
ivco	277.01	961.15	62.06	6.34	54.74	234	2
jab1	250.83	1788.98	49.96	6.36	179.40	366	65
joze	280.67	55741.66	62.44	8.09	64.88	2169	2
jplm	282.38	78368.41	41.20	5.85	51.90	2195	2
karr	272.12	59.31	41.05	7.00	63.80	388	23
kely	223.58	11767.18	55.72	7.04	81.97	1755	3
kerg	273.22	58090.94	16.00	7.95	70.79	1876	2
kiru	280.08	748.84	55.48	7.75	68.66	2132	2
kit3	281.68	3782.68	68.10	9.29	75.79	1404	53
kok2	266.16	692.49	44.26	9.62	51.94	166	2203
kokb	271.86	2060.18	58.04	6.78	66.83	2166	2
kosg	281.58	4295.25	41.20	6.17	66.21	2121	5
kour	258.25	24075.46	43.10	9.08	66.08	1962	76
krak	262.01	330.39	64.87	7.19	44.64	1172	591
kstu	255.67	105.11	40.78	7.68	110.87	755	26
kunm	231.38	1245.14	83.79	6.88	53.35	425	2
kwjl	272.27	34065.60	67.09	7.95	79.45	1551	2
lama	268.04	83131.75	45.86	6.45	71.22	1739	2
lanl	147.00	85.20	37.50	6.00	27.50	2	2187
lapc	263.35	995.97	41.65	6.13	53.10	173	4
lasc	282.66	98332.10	42.46	6.64	64.98	839	3
lbc1	282.16	1024.93	38.53	7.29	56.96	772	3
lbc2	282.47	491.23	47.26	6.67	59.52	775	3
lbch	253.16	4104.65	61.96	6.42	219.03	1878	3
ldes	280.62	549.54	75.02	6.40	68.98	683	3
ldsw	273.05	597.41	45.01	5.92	61.34	196	2
leep	279.91	131784.72	67.70	6.72	51.61	1994	3
lexi	282.92	383.65	48.14	6.72	68.41	1923	2
lfrs	282.53	725.98	56.79	7.00	52.69	747	3
lhas	266.92	5955.19	57.32	9.14	68.12	1557	2
llas	276.98	784.48	77.37	6.58	76.33	563	3
lmno	283.83	288536.41	56.21	7.39	78.62	824	1547
long	276.47	148118.32	86.52	8.79	61.67	1985	3
lors	282.56	464.07	34.50	5.87	60.49	599	3
lpgs	263.72	104878.53	55.72	8.21	102.22	1677	7
lphs	280.64	1290.64	71.35	7.50	60.17	848	3
lvms	278.34	428.95	83.41	6.46	64.44	426	3
mac1	273.36	1641.57	36.88	7.41	80.51	1784	2
mad2	273.04	1401.77	65.89	6.66	121.71	1419	2
madr	266.00	242.69	10.99	6.75	66.52	2084	2
mag0	278.74	19990.40	42.82	7.09	64.85	363	2
mali	264.65	32407.92	58.11	10.16	74.70	1797	2
mas1	277.11	2511.64	45.65	6.72	62.91	1944	2
mate	265.92	1242.20	32.42	6.82	112.52	2175	2
math	282.72	289636.44	59.03	7.58	46.24	1246	11
maw1	276.80	30.39	35.98	6.32	108.94	432	2
mcm4	276.27	1106.61	43.44	8.27	92.96	2150	2
mdol	283.96	7631.48	45.29	6.19	54.15	2182	2
mdvo	272.08	22817.17	71.53	8.42	78.57	2091	2
medi	279.56	385.50	43.83	6.62	65.86	1460	2
mets	280.79	5094.31	52.73	6.27	72.86	2009	2
mhms	272.39	22970.94	74.64	8.37	63.50	317	3
migl	278.15	570.33	63.72	6.05	61.56	280	2
mins	277.43	285020.55	50.87	7.25	50.49	146	1321
mkea	280.61	230.33	49.45	7.64	66.18	1680	2
mlfp	282.78	1381.18	50.22	6.21	65.20	819	2
moin	278.24	1046.03	66.93	10.63	67.80	387	1397
mola	283.96	288050.37	64.19	8.45	44.41	675	1476
monp	280.84	143447.69	47.18	6.61	56.12	2060	2
mpwd	227.13	2163.67	51.43	5.49	252.29	782	2
msob	276.91	2643.79	56.73	6.73	75.85	850	2
musd	283.26	516.63	74.26	6.78	58.63	939	3
mvfd	278.89	938.68	68.36	7.32	84.26	691	2
nall	239.23	717.37	15.13	6.84	104.74	1811	2
nano	279.36	1625.82	61.69	5.73	79.51	435	2
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site ld	epochs	clock	p-code Residual	Phase Residual	phase breaks	days Processed	Days Since Last Day processed
nbps	271.63	1416.86	126.15	6.01	59.94	390	2
nico	265.91	211.51	42.21	7.79	57.48	1054	2
nist	287.73	2.24	102.55	7.53	63.08	40	2185
nlib	284.31	2733.31	54.12	5.97	56.21	2216	2
noco	263.57	352.04	35.63	5.24	119.02	197	2
nopk	232.36	521.36	42.02	6.51	59.73	207	2
noto	284.30	15902.18	50.96	7.64	56.21	1564	502
noum	267.78	291278.22	69.80	7.67	88.22	930	2
nrc1	285.01	29.23	63.78	6.11	56.88	1632	2
nrc2	278.66	7.04	47.29	5.73	56.67	428	2
nssp	278.06	24.09	60.94	5.38	48.88	16	2
ntus	260.22	811.16	76.54	8.98	76.54	1032	3
nune	284.70	288396.67	40.85	7.92	43.03	721	1030
nyal	279.26	21.53	32.26	5.52	123.84	421	2
oaes	280.92	917.82	59.88	6.50	61.11	657	3
oat2	282.91	700.88	40.35	6.16	56.35	1821	429
ober	284.12	643.93	104.85	7.24	68.05	1415	429
oghs	281.53	1209.65	58.26	6.65	61.27	475	9
ohig	264.12	59412.48	56.43	9.59	85.40	1216	2
onsa	281.10	2400.44	44.00	6.13	78.46	2096	2
opcl	267.00	1294.14	33.31	5.68	106.79	397	2
opcx	271.65	4523.20	45.63	5.62	67.93	393	2
oprd	253.51	4358.77	50.98	5.82	148.07	328	2
ores	278.78	423.40	56.83	6.27	53.06	389	3
ovls	282.38	458.29	57.70	6.52	58.29	508	2
oxyc	258.19	45.25	34.29	5.79	56.02	360	3
pama	261.68	600.68	58.43	15.91	80.70	674	1743
penc	281.61	27267.49	55.71	8.32	63.11	1424	2
pent	285.62	18981.22	35.31	6.16	56.84	2224	2
pert	280.44	328.27	56.18	6.97	57.01	1991	2
petp	224.99	338.33	39.55	5.89	327.47	423	2
phlb	270.19	533.29	104.94	6.22	63.97	288	2
pie1	284.87	19780.55	48.85	6.14	55.60	2228	2
pimo	249.44	34.51	91.28	6.90	63.43	348	2
pin1	285.94	289125.00	38.31	9.44	45.38	16	1447
pin2	283.39	47051.99	58.68	6.84	55.24	892	2
piny	281.40	167572.01	37.84	7.14	52.78	2142	2
pltc	283.90	289036.71	53.95	6.82	103.32	899	1548
pmhs	281.97	1257.89	69.65	6.61	62.97	1006	3
pmob	277.53	9090.59	46.65	6.27	61.98	775	2
pol2	280.95	68748.14	55.18	8.65	63.77	1646	71
potm	265.54	228.47	70.79	6.54	57.04	484	1327
pots	280.86	2739.15	93.00	6.62	72.18	2145	2
ppbf	263.49	1351.65	42.28	6.09	163.16	784	2
prds	284.10	501.57	67.38	6.05	60.04	1300	2
psap	280.44	419.60	60.89	6.29	62.24	431	2
psdm	280.76	795.64	70.32	6.13	52.90	353	3
pvep	282.86	156668.04	67.69	9.37	57.01	1857	533
pvhs	281.62	333.57	75.43	6.46	62.84	651	3
pvr5	275.97	1398.80	61.61	7.47	106.82	830	3
qhtp	253.26	2177.59	55.39	6.35	115.67	288	2
quin	257.67	42371.10	57.89	6.71	51.12	1761	8
ramo	271.79	896.78	60.41	7.57	83.04	394	15
rcm5	272.11	377.16	41.35	8.06	53.24	510	1905
rcm6	283.75	124.02	71.69	8.19	56.59	632	1216
rdmt	272.32	1107.29	48.60	5.90	59.49	367	2
reyk	281.84	485.55	61.14	7.67	74.60	1802	2
rhcl	283.20	659.88	57.38	7.26	58.80	692	3
riog	264.00	1062.11	32.32	7.42	73.67	415	2
riop	234.51	386.10	64.90	6.48	75.60	523	22
roch	282.64	43662.66	47.32	7.30	54.75	1227	2
rock	283.00	166462.47	49.99	8.36	52.75	1867	3
rstp	279.92	2486.58	66.01	5.63	60.93	267	2
rths	267.27	7845.25	77.15	6.34	94.98	992	2
sacy	258.37	192.09	44.56	6.48	61.52	464	4
sant	249.70	37743.11	34.49	6.89	79.87	2089	2
sbcc	278.67	838.84	59.59	5.96	63.15	151	4
sch2	283.63	3425.48	58.86	6.12	73.30	1348	2
scia	248.59	1982.11	48.09	5.65	139.81	658	3
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site Id	epochs	clock	p-code Residual	Phase Residual	phase breaks	days Processed	Days Since Last Day processed
scip	279.59	1422.30	45.79	5.70	69.79	725	85
scms	280.19	1249.23	61.81	7.49	97.06	647	182
sele	281.57	150.54	58.45	7.98	61.29	1250	2
sey1	229.21	1169699.85	73.39	11.25	66.53	308	2
sfdm	270.77	1958.96	58.81	5.85	51.10	195	2
sfer	272.00	3906.82	74.09	6.69	86.95	946	2
sghs	280.74	784.80	48.80	6.67	57.40	426	4
sgps	195.02	66.20	56.95	6.67	63.90	120	2
shao	283.66	4275.15	79.14	8.33	61.11	1509	2
shkl	276.95	288061.30	83.27	8.51	49.61	715	1067
silk	274.39	1328.66	57.47	6.25	69.25	202	3
sio3	274.57	142875.69	48.30	6.72	59.02	2048	2
skyb	281.30	19.74	55.83	6.13	46.70	23	182
slms	247.15	2271.79	49.46	5.77	235.56	418	2
snhs	280.98	861.71	59.55	7.32	69.11	692	2
snl	265.89	27161.39	34.45	6.06	61.32	1377	3
sofi	265.47	106.68	54.21	6.94	56.10	770	2
soll	281.08	9867.40	60.59	8.30	60.03	1934	2
spkl	265.34	530204.25	35.75	6.28	68.69	1793	3
spms	281.46	10733.21	58.27	6.37	64.83	899	3
stjo	282.96	16018.37	46.20	6.29	59.62	2212	2
stl3	274.02	287822.37	104.56	10.08	57.89	859	876
strl	280.30	33.81	33.85	6.42	49.31	428	4
strl	281.50	384.91	54.56	6.58	56.54	614	1615
suth	275.28	80.07	74.18	6.11	55.50	357	2
suwn	279.34	230720.97	68.93	7.32	60.15	343	3
syog	277.61	129025.30	62.44	7.91	85.30	369	7
tabl	272.07	109166.08	140.91	6.86	62.78	1795	3
taej	278.91	159862.56	48.03	9.08	52.09	1002	1219
tahi	268.99	1126.47	80.17	11.74	61.89	254	1327
tais	261.45	83280.09	0.00	9.16	125.23	860	1511
thti	280.49	156998.65	78.63	8.30	74.46	412	2
thul	279.92	182.30	48.65	7.01	95.00	1806	78
tibb	276.13	356510.58	69.91	9.18	49.86	1190	730
tid2	282.45	49.92	40.61	6.21	137.66	1980	98
tidb	284.60	14.15	66.27	12.27	60.20	15	1444
tixi	279.42	3336.08	41.74	6.58	92.93	397	2
tmap	280.03	308.25	40.03	6.38	59.08	426	2
tmgo	284.88	155.94	43.35	6.45	53.76	897	1548
torp	278.49	669.60	48.61	6.10	88.82	1393	3
tost	280.76	2036.84	53.27	6.24	60.53	418	2
toul	282.82	219.80	69.00	7.21	59.99	749	430
tow2	279.99	78.65	20.96	6.83	52.95	415	2
trak	279.25	144476.27	76.55	7.67	47.39	1837	2
trol	281.30	20.51	58.74	6.83	96.74	423	2
trom	241.11	100459.41	14.65	6.62	91.14	1473	2
tskb	283.96	76796.84	53.96	7.42	54.66	2113	3
uclp	284.73	1579.43	36.53	6.36	52.75	2016	3
uclu	280.37	62.34	53.81	5.92	70.12	410	2
ucsb	282.12	526.37	45.87	7.06	57.32	701	2
upad	272.53	420760.88	70.97	8.29	89.92	1704	61
urum	281.49	180.30	37.50	8.05	59.95	384	2
uscl	283.07	621.27	61.27	7.42	52.34	2096	3
usgc	277.91	157.75	41.62	5.74	54.69	202	2
usna	282.89	531.31	66.83	6.94	64.38	1827	2
usno	280.96	7.20	56.29	7.12	54.51	1360	2
usud	285.05	386.88	42.12	6.64	56.06	2161	2
uzhl	270.69	288929.96	92.01	7.05	62.58	257	3
vcio	280.71	289017.12	53.47	7.61	82.89	876	1548
vene	273.45	134348.41	61.10	6.53	57.66	411	2
vesl	281.16	289692.77	58.05	7.96	86.80	166	33
vill	280.26	426.78	51.81	6.79	55.92	2080	2
vims	285.71	101.36	43.59	6.70	55.13	922	896
vnex	242.75	1668.35	60.54	6.62	65.11	493	3
vndp	280.32	129241.02	36.50	6.67	54.06	2086	3
vnps	279.48	189.94	43.05	6.56	55.28	399	3
vtis	267.89	1276.34	37.51	5.95	91.50	685	3
vyas	283.29	975.25	52.44	6.68	56.16	1015	3
wchs	282.41	1257.70	65.35	6.90	59.99	815	3
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Table F.6: Station Performance Sample(Jan 21, 2002). (continued)

site Id	epochs	clock	p-code Residual	Phase Residual	phase breaks	days Processed	Days Since Last Day processed
wes2	287.86	43.11	69.46	5.60	59.46	35	991
west	278.88	9024.26	54.44	6.42	65.55	1939	2
wetb	258.83	9.61	0.00	7.43	103.58	642	1814
wgpp	160.81	27.83	48.25	6.31	40.28	32	138
whcl	283.90	337465.36	46.95	6.55	54.99	2070	3
whil	276.30	29814.26	57.51	6.36	50.88	809	1649
whit	281.72	6916.32	56.85	6.05	86.24	1788	2
wide	283.99	4093.05	47.82	7.57	56.06	1033	2
will	281.59	302.47	36.22	5.53	63.91	432	2
wint	280.20	252288.67	66.29	7.60	51.28	1399	735
wkpk	263.55	313.25	60.13	7.09	68.88	220	2
wlps	285.27	134.50	95.83	7.25	50.78	805	1322
wlsn	273.24	744.74	63.48	8.02	55.04	2089	3
wmap	282.56	4724.02	52.12	7.56	58.81	831	3
womt	277.94	1832.62	42.98	6.18	58.34	200	2
wrhs	238.01	2609.42	50.40	6.43	76.81	422	3
wslr	281.68	4611.62	32.17	5.82	52.14	432	2
wsmn	280.17	287508.23	61.94	8.42	109.56	887	1548
wprt	280.68	32298.80	36.20	6.34	70.58	1260	2
wtzr	277.41	828.04	61.48	6.89	61.19	1905	2
wtzt	260.17	286693.74	71.41	6.01	260.33	431	2
wuhn	277.97	6513.08	59.62	8.99	62.56	1789	2
xian	279.30	27809.16	51.75	9.17	59.50	999	803
yakz	283.27	878.30	51.81	7.48	72.25	222	430
yarl	273.42	38048.49	31.60	5.99	65.43	2082	2
yell	284.31	1974.99	45.86	6.14	96.29	2223	2
yssk	281.10	1238.98	46.38	6.95	55.83	423	2
zeck	283.24	1186.64	55.59	7.30	65.03	1120	7
zimm	275.70	280414.97	63.88	7.60	76.82	2156	2
zwen	273.50	5178.07	65.46	7.57	77.37	1944	2

Table F.7: Daily Performance of Stations for cyc 8

site	day 84	day 85	day 86	day 87	day 88	day 89	day 90	day 91	day 92	day 93	day 94
albh	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
alco	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
alic	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
amc2	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
ankr	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
aoal	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
aoml	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	10
areq	10	10	10	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
artu	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
ascl	10	10	8	10	.	10	10	10	10	10	10
auck	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
azul	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	10
bahr	.	10	10	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	8
bako	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
barb	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
bili	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
bjfs	.	.	8	10	10	8	10	10	10	10	10
blyt	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
bogt	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
borl	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
bran	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
braz	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
brmu	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
brus	.	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	6
bucu	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
bzrg	.	8	10	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
cagl	.	10	10	10	10	10	6	10	10	10	10
cas1	8	.	8	8	8	6	8	8	8	8	8
casa	10	10	8	8	8	10	10	10	10	10	10
cat1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
cedu	.	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	.	10	10
chat	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
chil	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
chur	10	8	10	10	10	10	.	10	10	10	10
chwk	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	8
ciel	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
cit1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
clar	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
cmp9	.	.	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
coco	.	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
cord	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
coso	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	.
crfp	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
cro1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
csn1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
daej	.	.	8	8	8	8	8	.	8	8	8
darw	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	0
davl	8	8	8	.	8	6	8	6	8	8	8
dgar	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
dhlq	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
drag	4	6	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	10	10
drao	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
dubo	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
ebre	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
eisl	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	8
fair	8	8	8	8	8	6	8	6	6	8	8
flin	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
fort	8	10	8	10	8	8	8	10	8	8	6
gala	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
geno	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
glsv	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
gode	8	10	6	6	4	6	4	.	.	.	.
gold	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	10
gope	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
goug	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
gras	.	10	8	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8
graz	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
guam	8	10	8	8	8	10	10	10	10	10	10
harv	10	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
hers	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	.	.
hflk	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
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Table F.7: Daily Performance of Stations for cyc 8. (continued)

site	day 84	day 85	day 86	day 87	day 88	day 89	day 90	day 91	day 92	day 93	day 94
hnpt	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
hob2	8	8	.	.	10	8	10	10	10	10	10
hofn	.	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	10	8	10
holb	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	10	10
holc	8	8	8	8	10	8	8	8	8	8	8
holp	.	.	.	0	8	0	10	10	10	10	10
hrao	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
iisc	.	.	.	.	8	8	10	10	10	8	8
ineg	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
irkt	.	10	10	8	.	10	10	10	10	.	8
jabl	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
jama	10	10	8	.	8	10	.	.	.	10	8
joze	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
jplm	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
karr	10	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
kely	8	6	.	8	10	6	8	8	8	6	8
kerg	.	10	10	10	10	10	8	10	6	8	6
kiru	.	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
kit3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
kokb	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10	10
kosg	.	.	.	.	.	.	10	10	10	10	10
kour	.	.	8	8	10	10	8	10	10	8	8
kr0g	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
kstu	.	.	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
kunm	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	6
kwjl	4	6	4	2	2	4	6	4	4	2	4
lama	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
lbch	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
leep	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
lhas	10	.	10	.	.	10	10	10	10	10	10
long	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
lpgs	.	10	10	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	10
mac1	10	.	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	10	10
madr	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
mag0	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
mali	8	10	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
mas1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
mate	.	6	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	4	8
math	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
maw1	10	.	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	10
mcm4	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	6	6
mdol	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
mdvo	8	10	10	.	.	10	6	6	10	8	8
medi	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
mets	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
mkea	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
monp	.	10	.	.	.	.	10	10	10	10	10
mr0g	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
nano	.	8	10	10	6	10	10	10	8	8	10
nico	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
nklg	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
nlib	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
noto	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
noum	.	10	10	10	.	10	10	10	10	10	10
nrcl	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
nssp	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
ntus	.	10	10	10	10	.	10	10	10	10	10
nyal	.	4	6	6	6	.	6	6	4	4	6
nyal	.	8	8	8	8	.	8	8	8	8	8
oat2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
onsa	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
penc	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
pert	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
petp	6	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
piel	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
pimo	6	8	6	8	6	8	10	8	8	4	6
pol2	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
pots	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
prds	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
pvep
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Table F.7: Daily Performance of Stations for cyc 8. (continued)

site	day 84	day 85	day 86	day 87	day 88	day 89	day 90	day 91	day 92	day 93	day 94
quin	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
ramo	10	10	10	10	10	10	.	.	.	.	.
reyk	.	10	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	8	10
riog	.	10	10	10	10	8	10	8	10	10	10
riop	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
roch	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
rock	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
sant	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8
sch2	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
scip	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
sele	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	.
sey1	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
sfer	.	6	4	4	4	.	4	8	10	10	10
shao	8	4	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
sio3	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
snil	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
sofi	.	10	10	10	.	10	10	10	10	10	10
soll	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
spk1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
stjo	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
suth	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
suwn	.	.	.	10	.	10	10	10	10	10	.
syog	.	10	10	.	.	8	10	8	8	10	10
tabl	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
thti	.	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
thul	.	.	8	8	8	8	0	8	8	8	6
tidb	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
tixi	8	8	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	10	10
torp	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
tow2	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
trab	.	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
trak	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	.	.	.	10
tro1	.	10	10	10	10	8	8	10	10	8	10
trom	.	10	10	10	10	8	8	10	10	8	10
tskb	.	10	10	.	.	8	.	10	8	8	10
uelp	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
uclu	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
urum	10	10	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
usc1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
usna	10	8	8	10	10	10	8	10	10	10	10
usno	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
usud	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
vene	.	10	10	6	8	10	10	10	10	10	10
vesl	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
vill	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
vndp	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
vs0g	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
wes2	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10	10	8
whcl	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
whit	10	10	10	10	10	8	10	8	10	10	10
wide	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
will	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
wlsn	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
wroc	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
wslr	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
wsrt	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
wtzr	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
wuhn	.	0	8	8	8	10	10	.	8	8	10
xian	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
yakz	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
yar1	8	10	10	10	8	10	8	10	10	10	10
yell	10	8	10	10	10	8	10	8	10	8	10
ykro	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
yssk	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
zeck	.	.	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
zimm	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
zwen	.	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	6

F.2.3 Station daily DDobs numbers

Table F.8: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 8

site ID	day 84	day 85	day 86	day 87	day 88	day 89	day 90	day 91	day 92	day 93	day 94
albh	54	89	135	113	164	119	15	39	129	202	113
algo	3264	3014	2994	3071	3410	2812	2830	3337	3315	3105	2926
alic	3608	3530	3527	3437	3574	3476	3321	3866	3690	3495	3605
amc2	3170	2873	2755	2713	3224	2496	2589	3138	3091	2635	2674
ankr	3767	3644	3682	3673	3641	3306	3584	3738	3600	3477	3264
aoal	2604	2349	2283	2327	2668	2309	2283	2579	2415	2245	2429
aoml	2628	2390	2388	2097	2781	2433	2277	2287	2578	2254	2329
areq	3389	3219	3098	3240	1913	0	0	0	0	0	0
artu	3818	3817	3830	3584	3663	3862	3775	3868	3916	3788	3623
asc1	3414	3029	2856	2556	0	2453	3130	3377	3231	3272	3227
auck	3247	3496	3312	3004	3293	3524	3232	3226	3357	3269	3186
azu1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bahr	3416	3397	3447	3282	2951	3146	3479	3555	3488	3204	3223
bako	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
barb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bill	4459	4197	4071	3740	4189	4071	3868	4164	3977	3649	3846
bjfs	3602	3351	3440	3283	3195	3500	3421	3653	3283	3012	3186
blyt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bogt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bor1	3132	3142	3461	3460	3077	2956	3318	3575	3262	3301	3066
bran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
braz	3504	2908	3079	2486	2973	2724	3156	3697	3211	3149	3399
brmu	2937	2838	2662	2862	2839	2422	2405	3060	3110	2884	2466
brus	1790	1521	3547	3745	3575	3253	3271	3684	3674	3390	3035
bucu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bzrg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cagl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cas1	4240	3962	4153	3981	4430	4346	3929	4305	4357	4394	4163
casa	2528	2211	2024	2141	2531	2315	2196	2561	2387	2187	2192
cat1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cedu	0	0	3119	3247	3451	3279	2961	3062	0	2954	3215
chat	3366	3459	3379	3123	3672	3518	3234	3257	3427	3242	3303
chil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chur	3400	3054	3316	3068	3389	2680	2996	3512	3144	2831	2724
chw1	2779	2316	2438	2178	2816	2240	2409	2566	2598	2321	2256
cic1	1951	1922	2085	2063	2385	2019	2117	2467	2212	2159	2362
cit1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
clar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cmp9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coco	1762	3453	3447	2973	3003	0	3262	3668	3605	3501	3361
cord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
crfp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cro1	2991	2775	2801	3037	3200	2838	2702	3108	3409	3142	2863
csn1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dae1	0	0	3235	3428	3601	3984	3729	3755	3592	3505	3644
darw	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2608	3622
dav1	4130	4011	3890	0	4038	4344	3889	4532	4219	4389	4159
dgar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dhl1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
drag	3034	1710	2273	2102	2228	2021	1316	0	2447	2872	1527
drao	54	89	130	108	171	126	16	41	124	196	113
dubo	2900	2640	2567	2487	2973	2455	2354	2853	2648	2573	2548
ebre	3347	3358	3269	3639	3444	3159	3052	3632	3558	3435	3101
eisl	1648	1190	1297	1639	1989	1494	1468	1336	1258	940	1509
fair	3294	2991	3230	3269	3559	2729	2980	3537	3282	2817	3049
flin	696	673	713	999	849	572	476	935	1137	890	726
fort	2479	2421	2635	2433	2653	2277	2684	2688	2466	2290	2626
gala	3627	2929	3049	2385	2746	3166	3371	3261	3092	2670	2803
geno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
glsv	3619	3729	3755	3685	3655	3553	3603	3827	3623	3657	3482
gode	2682	2875	1241	636	686	444	878	0	0	0	0
gold	3044	2595	2659	2733	3240	2445	2267	2948	3050	2628	2541
gope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
goug	0	2642	3084	3047	3110	2901	2899	3321	3154	3114	3084
gras	3141	3111	3133	3365	3102	2784	3028	3584	3235	3078	2848
graz	3567	3568	3513	3877	3597	3217	3356	3849	3772	3522	3344
guam	3045	3129	3006	3042	2679	3513	3563	3326	3581	3410	2721
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Table F.8: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 8. (continued)

site ID	day 84	day 85	day 86	day 87	day 88	day 89	day 90	day 91	day 92	day 93	day 94
harv	3131	2434	2544	2641	3191	2626	2511	3033	3054	2640	2526
hers	3431	3367	3477	3665	3569	3320	3185	3671	3559	3575	3237
hflk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
hnpt	2642	2567	2683	2615	2796	2492	2476	2802	2848	2528	2552
hob2	3250	3236	2935	2733	3679	3353	3339	3214	3432	3608	3701
hofn	4002	3693	3797	4009	4216	3314	3440	4334	4298	3758	3562
holb	54	88	134	146	197	119	16	49	142	206	113
holc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
holp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
hrao	2662	2708	3363	3038	2901	2692	2872	2894	2608	2293	2678
iisc	0	0	0	0	620	2661	3471	3582	3473	3114	2588
ineg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
irkt	3628	2979	2912	2111	2763	3225	3180	3145	3116	2897	3066
jabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
jama	3247	3069	2032	463	2308	2002	149	0	729	2644	1875
joze	3632	3730	3533	3637	3481	3326	3395	3717	3550	3411	3193
jplm	2608	2406	2360	2338	2679	2391	2291	2571	2435	2287	2464
karr	3642	3713	3679	3093	3668	3370	3624	3507	3507	3531	3743
kely	4064	1620	0	3074	3901	1297	3114	4073	3806	3512	3173
kerp	3076	3346	3504	2984	3124	3341	2886	3323	3008	3138	3423
kiru	4409	4133	4044	3980	4268	4135	3969	4376	4364	4270	3799
kit3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kokb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2550	2563
kosg	3668	3521	3500	3790	3747	3260	3289	3717	3759	3605	3252
kour	1771	932	1784	2492	3282	3462	2209	3625	3835	3769	3594
kr0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kstu	0	0	827	3201	3327	3497	3426	2954	3169	3132	3357
kunm	1636	1982	2024	1871	1950	2260	2273	2351	1971	1889	1803
kwjl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lbch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
leep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lhas	3231	3294	3123	3028	2843	3210	3177	3166	3104	2945	3180
long	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lpgs	3274	3106	2818	3032	3320	3122	2939	3074	3136	3285	3316
macl	3236	3422	3469	3331	3505	3569	3494	3538	3450	3557	3724
madr	3360	3262	3307	3670	3097	2905	3410	3284	3360	2784	3467
mag0	4068	3794	3519	3284	3869	3883	3629	3522	3610	3541	3467
mali	3004	3368	3328	2855	2913	3401	3515	3309	3022	2921	3248
mas1	0	2621	2788	2992	2991	3072	2974	3579	3523	3325	3037
mate	3524	3065	3370	3642	3426	3107	3271	3548	3380	3171	3156
math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
maw1	3894	4030	4394	3947	4168	4228	3996	4283	4214	4170	4117
mcm4	4193	4462	4805	4264	4627	4514	4545	4553	4515	4464	4746
mdol	2420	1600	2159	2176	2534	2049	1972	2601	2460	2196	2252
mdvo	3713	3929	3852	3742	3711	3616	1936	2855	3771	3661	3508
medi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
metr	3904	3993	3788	3828	3868	3792	3732	4034	4070	3911	3768
mkea	3143	2619	2326	2377	2806	2727	2563	2587	2483	2565	2529
monp	3124	2615	2650	2742	3305	2626	2488	2970	3106	2716	2645
mr6g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
nano	643	619	495	707	790	483	406	723	864	872	587
nico	3610	3556	3534	3607	3444	3100	3504	3640	3527	3304	3337
nklg	3345	3300	3199	2876	2665	3059	2791	2867	2729	3017	2944
nlib	2668	2526	2175	2230	2733	2274	2040	2546	2558	2309	2176
noto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
noum	3656	3494	3318	3027	3686	3407	3195	3273	3356	3318	3415
nrc1	3364	3031	3051	3120	3439	2918	2815	3334	3422	3193	3001
nssp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ntus	4090	3924	3825	3792	3481	3862	3685	3907	4045	3764	3847
nyal	4742	4435	4275	4306	4746	4239	4016	4552	4655	4390	3740
nyal	4688	4371	4260	4293	4699	4187	3975	4550	4684	4391	3677
oat2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
onsa	3895	3562	3669	3983	3976	3549	3441	3851	3951	3772	3431
penc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
pert	3171	3276	3311	2935	2913	3304	3056	3630	3426	3246	3417
petp	3624	3539	3303	2903	3556	3717	3421	3322	3276	3324	3328
piel	2533	2167	2251	2347	2728	2187	2212	2478	2685	2236	2354
pimo	3622	2280	1811	2178	1029	1899	3078	2693	3842	2775	1650
pol2	3564	3697	3515	3270	3407	3669	3611	3560	3701	3469	3422
pots	3709	3541	3537	3933	3731	3284	3057	3493	3873	3690	3403
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Table F.8: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 8. (continued)

site ID	day 84	day 85	day 86	day 87	day 88	day 89	day 90	day 91	day 92	day 93	day 94
prds	3199	2736	2749	2729	3273	2641	2788	3045	3066	2832	2635
pvep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
quin	2430	2159	2026	2095	2454	2135	2197	2529	2318	2079	2158
ramo	3632	3586	3463	3597	3471	3238	3482	3584	3476	3222	3307
reyk	4061	3787	3848	3981	4139	3444	3586	4291	4286	3732	3438
riog	3195	3632	3635	3308	3627	2849	3743	3780	3536	3697	3792
riop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
roch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sant	3512	3291	3200	3027	3502	3252	3329	3442	3482	3469	2874
sch2	3581	3149	3224	3219	3631	3015	2955	3504	3552	3278	2912
scip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sele	3097	3199	2935	2800	2880	3252	3026	2897	3018	3012	975
sey1	1264	1479	1652	1734	1532	1507	1631	1624	1709	1674	1442
sfer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
shao	2993	916	2369	2830	2754	3075	3258	3270	2945	2563	2992
sio3	54	22	23	68	159	114	0	22	96	108	77
snil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sofi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sol1	3025	2718	2895	2760	3247	2610	2541	3324	3313	3025	2972
spk1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
stjo	3703	3476	3474	3572	3786	3214	3169	3909	3819	3513	3197
suth	3163	3121	3363	3187	3049	2890	2999	3424	2995	2938	3145
suwn	3116	3492	3486	3341	3424	3801	3566	3654	3391	3307	3509
syog	3858	3864	4206	3828	4180	3958	3698	3921	3901	3840	3886
tabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
thti	2916	0	3057	3220	3211	3251	3290	3335	2890	2988	3366
thul	3347	2123	2432	2994	3028	2334	2083	2601	2395	2205	1886
tidb	3708	3644	3434	2913	3415	3661	3329	3363	3395	3543	3569
tixi	3204	4383	4255	4158	4320	4344	4189	4352	4336	4128	4206
torp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tow2	3517	3432	3838	3304	3516	3419	3628	3563	3499	3370	3719
trab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
trak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tro1	4501	4359	4199	4151	4378	4085	3957	4398	4537	4372	3910
trom	4672	4294	4133	4072	4333	4152	4037	4436	4579	4366	3883
tskb	2312	2074	2289	2146	2384	2431	2165	2221	2323	2100	2299
uclp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
uclu	54	89	135	113	171	126	16	41	134	206	113
urum	3708	3306	0	3056	3484	3735	3731	3862	3532	3401	3232
uscl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
usna	2525	2593	2603	2503	2778	2351	2398	2767	2919	2714	2597
usno	147	93	61	153	317	250	25	50	189	256	154
usud	3989	3414	3612	3328	3632	3638	3693	3780	3464	3228	3367
vene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vesl	4458	4118	4512	4226	4673	4201	4037	4513	4335	4260	4397
vill	3419	3347	3293	3687	3446	3200	3014	3626	3513	3491	3043
vndp	616	413	339	705	827	544	360	800	927	763	581
vs0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wes2	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	219	255	122
whcl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
whit	3688	3211	3048	3079	3768	3126	3081	3488	3408	3279	3042
wide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
will	2804	2389	2291	2125	2910	2283	2409	2688	2624	2509	2252
wlsn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wroc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wslr	608	592	444	600	705	470	380	589	749	855	568
wsrt	3656	3497	3494	3782	3783	3303	3289	3713	3751	3666	3143
wtzr	3635	3664	3546	3932	3703	3273	3541	3878	3841	3547	3376
wuhn	3705	3812	3707	3246	3376	3805	3642	1434	3135	3404	3639
xian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yakz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yar1	2181	2730	2426	2145	2179	2418	2391	2503	2226	2294	2559
yell	3712	3553	3422	3114	3783	3230	3189	3487	3519	3287	3134
ykro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yssk	4148	3549	3555	3429	3834	3730	3417	3816	3532	3459	3350
zeck	3562	3418	3716	3539	3420	3500	3728	3711	3679	3480	3446
zimm	3600	3450	3540	3794	3700	3270	3370	3683	3453	3500	3260
zwen	3867	4150	3719	3567	3808	3679	3855	3697	3736	3717	3459

Table F.9: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 9

site ID	day 94	day 95	day 96	day 97	day 98	day 99	day 100	day 101	day 102	day 103	day 104
albh	113	39	43	174	237	195	183	65	179	335	169
algo	2926	2987	3477	3347	3182	2990	3013	3069	3452	3420	3520
alic	3605	3886	3826	3722	3567	3445	3679	3370	3491	3479	3877
amc2	2674	2955	3082	2868	2858	2964	2696	2689	3057	3395	3205
ankr	3264	3526	3733	3304	3233	3030	1115	0	3226	3387	3269
aoal	2429	2488	2504	2476	2495	2302	2092	2462	2402	2258	2363
aoml	2329	2326	2697	2642	2566	2567	2324	2292	2700	2724	2558
areq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
artu	3623	3789	3660	3427	3511	3232	3034	3206	3357	3397	3552
ascl	3227	3214	3296	2912	0	0	2458	2943	2980	3148	2953
auck	3186	3489	3478	3267	3303	3260	3278	2917	3303	3330	3287
azul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bahr	3223	3429	3454	3252	3123	2909	2860	3014	3136	3280	3148
bako	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
barb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bili	3846	4004	3792	3630	847	0	0	0	0	0	3118
bjfs	3186	3581	3128	2876	2951	2992	2606	2549	2886	3006	3090
blyt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bogt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
borl	3066	3439	3368	2933	3010	3004	3039	2763	3033	3305	3326
bran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
braz	3399	3419	3409	3828	3424	3401	2868	3237	3672	1960	0
brmu	2466	2645	3115	3045	2641	2640	2764	2710	2874	2846	2960
brus	3035	3284	3604	3498	3304	3160	3175	2103	1834	0	1689
bucu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bzrg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cagl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
casl	4163	4497	4800	4877	4479	4051	4103	4155	4499	4214	4501
casa	2192	2398	2430	2604	2411	2123	2040	2403	2606	2431	2253
catl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cedu	3215	3339	3179	0	3039	3174	3541	3454	3440	3364	3658
chat	3303	3311	3434	3576	3402	3055	3152	3266	3451	3187	3365
chil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chur	2724	3436	3339	3243	2899	3392	3034	3065	3181	3538	3486
chwk	2256	2576	2522	2753	2419	2306	2077	2550	2713	2637	2397
ciel	2362	2393	2363	2296	2214	2121	1841	2114	2317	2331	2132
citl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
clar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cmp9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coco	3361	3641	3491	3599	3401	3115	3393	3404	3305	3190	3180
cord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
crfp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cro1	2863	2920	3205	3326	3023	2988	2728	2778	2785	2785	3057
csn1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
daej	3644	3473	3259	3208	3385	619	0	2559	3449	3340	3104
darw	3622	3412	957	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
davl	4159	4703	4834	4811	4423	4274	4425	3878	3706	0	4053
dgar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dhlq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
drag	1527	0	0	0	0	912	2292	0	0	0	0
drao	113	39	44	175	293	289	221	66	193	398	485
dubo	2548	2806	2855	2892	2732	2673	2421	2674	2824	3100	3049
ebre	3101	3182	3525	3157	3218	3179	3228	2983	3216	3313	3361
eisl	1509	1576	1610	1818	1555	1870	1172	1681	1830	1587	1770
fair	3049	3137	3304	2938	3031	2907	2861	2930	2966	3217	3168
flin	726	820	1026	1150	1061	1057	1024	1044	1040	1229	1207
fort	2626	2170	0	2555	2271	1975	2051	1993	2358	2496	2240
gala	2803	2828	3054	3412	2890	2952	2788	2801	3437	3440	3472
geno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
glsv	3482	3701	3737	3291	3554	3096	3332	3231	3569	3353	3431
gode	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
gold	2541	2789	3140	3034	2781	2517	2529	2844	3072	3118	2895
gope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
goug	3084	3193	3119	3285	3136	2848	2704	2811	2405	2695	2650
gras	2848	3042	3201	2776	2770	2791	2860	2529	2657	2912	3086
graz	3344	3532	3718	3274	2008	2776	3296	3236	3336	3462	3403
guam	2721	2730	1789	2420	2112	2376	2321	2688	2936	3037	2577
harv	2526	2795	2938	2929	2649	2535	2539	2786	3103	3009	2766
hers	3237	3285	3484	3499	3234	3008	3098	3208	3436	3407	3323
hflk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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site ID	day 94	day 95	day 96	day 97	day 98	day 99	day 100	day 101	day 102	day 103	day 104
hnpt	2552	2637	2776	2942	2384	44	483	2556	2975	3212	3100
hob2	3701	3535	3654	3822	3679	3346	3235	3576	3694	3599	3369
hofn	3562	4029	4240	3798	3697	3712	3578	3654	3819	4008	3895
holb	113	39	60	35	53	156	139	49	169	285	353
holc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
holp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
hrao	2678	3253	2888	2812	3079	3179	2734	2664	2925	2547	2486
iisc	2588	2492	1775	1083	1972	2790	2656	2603	2468	2932	3198
ineg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
irkt	3066	3246	3077	2770	2952	2833	2501	2857	2806	2775	2756
jab1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
jama	1875	2145	2678	1632	1020	1915	1908	2055	2347	1106	1901
joze	3193	3508	3760	3212	3460	3097	3272	3106	3460	3591	3561
jplm	2464	2467	2594	2602	2516	2257	2109	2464	2721	2657	2452
karr	3743	3867	3663	3674	3711	3453	3427	3320	3640	3700	3495
kely	3173	3714	4064	3205	2929	3603	3088	1901	3515	4014	3761
kerq	3423	3634	3402	3725	3764	3314	3273	3248	3662	3588	3179
kiru	3799	3974	4359	4096	3718	3569	3809	3568	3951	4088	4201
kit3	0	0	0	0	1436	1166	2316	2346	669	1561	2934
kokb	2563	2739	2041	2698	2450	2449	2276	2427	2744	2449	2303
kosg	3252	3357	3689	3528	3368	3136	3205	3285	3454	3507	3525
kour	3594	2647	3356	4162	3854	2121	3173	3315	3886	4290	3894
kr0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kstu	3357	2847	2178	2349	3096	2876	2478	2816	2815	2677	681
kunm	1803	2273	2144	1681	2042	1437	1793	1892	1344	2135	1491
kwj1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lbch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
leep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lhas	3180	3246	2777	2769	2836	2683	2517	2563	2548	2786	2704
long	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lpgs	3316	3429	3352	3459	2973	2968	2702	2857	3001	0	0
mac1	3724	3648	3409	3642	3575	3341	3548	3359	3676	3695	3822
madr	2784	2922	3443	3180	3043	3169	3275	2960	3161	3572	3450
mag0	3467	3358	2951	3170	3192	3266	2889	3121	3026	3209	3143
mali	3248	3273	3195	3442	3245	2998	2948	3322	3483	3080	2913
mas1	3037	3218	3552	3410	3129	2927	2940	2907	3404	3437	3241
mate	3156	3325	3561	3253	2948	2706	3039	3149	3247	3297	3063
math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
maw1	4117	2921	4519	4725	4427	4193	4433	4185	4544	4236	4401
mcm4	4746	4861	4721	4971	4810	4484	1895	4170	4818	4644	4692
mdol	2252	2602	2520	2509	2238	2250	2120	2238	2241	2496	2484
mdvo	3508	3572	3633	1899	3127	2654	2984	3459	3294	3488	2556
medi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
mets	3768	3922	4064	3601	3657	3392	3532	3384	3734	3969	3780
mkea	2529	2541	2458	2624	2296	2344	1839	1741	2703	2196	2275
monp	2645	2897	3078	3030	2806	2716	2590	2893	3076	3114	2923
mr6g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
nano	587	551	654	921	918	692	725	816	1016	1020	843
nico	3337	3408	3547	3221	3265	2917	2989	3040	2943	3283	3042
nklg	2944	2947	2930	2924	3013	2721	2565	2728	2887	3238	2663
nlib	2176	2417	2503	2044	1868	1515	984	607	1482	2581	2590
noto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
noum	3415	3514	3324	3334	3233	3167	2978	3117	3201	3151	3057
nrc1	3001	2990	3524	3437	3265	2998	2963	3069	3509	3480	3502
nssp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ntus	3847	3738	3825	3625	3496	3537	3610	3485	3675	3552	3529
nyal	3740	3978	4421	4404	4051	3798	4052	4179	4350	4289	4570
nyal	3677	4081	4329	4437	3969	3716	4072	4156	4314	4243	4608
oat2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
onsa	3431	3597	3997	3575	3513	3290	3412	3432	3631	3552	3731
penc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
pert	3417	3640	3654	3589	3105	3123	3592	3276	3273	3502	3699
petp	3328	3073	2938	2927	3114	2948	2639	2853	2650	2960	2796
piel	2354	2696	2642	2331	2142	2258	2028	2192	2218	2668	2488
pimo	1650	2715	3022	2350	2203	2454	2654	2515	1940	2596	2912
pol2	3422	2669	3387	3224	3264	2968	2821	2956	3085	2720	2851
pots	3403	3298	3869	3405	3248	3146	3276	3121	3455	3450	3530
prds	2635	3056	3031	3038	2872	2884	2709	2820	3094	3103	3030
pvep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
quin	2158	2397	2432	2435	2261	2074	2032	2318	1990	2335	2249
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Table F.9: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 9. (continued)

site ID	day 94	day 95	day 96	day 97	day 98	day 99	day 100	day 101	day 102	day 103	day 104
ramo	3307	3403	3526	3184	3201	2885	2936	2906	3245	3377	2951
reyk	3438	3943	4258	3876	3686	3729	3603	3666	4005	4296	4088
riog	3792	3340	0	0	0	0	3112	3629	3548	3903	3704
riop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
roch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sant	2874	3499	3401	3752	3444	3231	2921	3392	3618	3697	3158
sch2	2912	3285	3528	3453	3068	3170	3009	3250	3634	3533	3533
scip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sele	975	0	724	2461	2801	2582	2459	948	2158	2665	2777
sey1	1442	1603	1709	1601	1354	1337	1722	1648	1440	1408	1496
sfer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
shao	2992	3230	2708	2463	2870	2729	2425	2456	2600	2855	2718
sio3	77	85	60	77	157	283	238	64	33	253	472
snil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sofi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
soli	2972	2939	3498	3154	2881	2899	3001	2955	3291	3241	3237
spk1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
stjo	3197	3590	3743	3574	3392	3385	3251	3188	3757	3823	3622
suth	3145	3432	3386	3276	3155	3157	3161	2900	3074	3093	3054
suwn	3509	3339	3068	3027	3328	3129	2776	2832	3310	3264	3012
syog	3886	4507	4536	4485	4237	4053	4278	4044	4073	3583	4013
tabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
thti	3366	3322	3196	3179	2793	3162	2546	2878	3257	3161	3420
thul	1886	1641	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2387	2385
tidb	3569	3428	3350	3729	3544	3236	3341	3469	3622	3383	3378
tixi	4206	4172	4071	3645	4045	4008	3595	3704	3913	4241	4193
torp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tow2	3719	3837	3598	3511	3510	3376	3230	3333	3211	3449	3407
trab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
trak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tro1	3910	4197	4472	4220	3982	3829	3959	3808	4104	4309	4182
trom	3883	4148	4562	4244	4001	3788	4035	3855	4127	4314	4251
tskb	2299	2354	1891	1691	1843	1839	1458	1583	1747	1813	1720
uclp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
uclu	113	39	44	175	214	174	152	49	174	291	370
urum	3232	0	2773	2799	0	2590	2731	2943	3111	3059	3186
uscl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
usna	2597	2546	2964	2793	2632	2504	2581	2449	2816	3145	3061
usno	154	61	46	155	304	413	274	43	235	543	636
usud	3367	3499	3204	2863	3065	3303	2979	2616	2799	3187	3078
vene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vesl	4397	4713	4532	4802	2526	0	0	0	0	0	0
vill	3043	3211	3599	3322	3057	3170	3291	3003	3306	3590	3455
vndp	581	632	781	898	802	710	861	831	882	938	945
vs0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wes2	122	61	66	183	146	452	274	43	235	543	636
whcl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
whit	3042	3183	3342	3366	3247	2818	2803	3079	3417	3253	3217
widc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
will	2252	2678	2632	2801	2483	2484	2198	2533	2779	2765	2542
wlsn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wroc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wslr	568	456	609	934	816	568	629	793	976	915	733
wsrt	3143	3354	3703	3580	3388	3152	3186	3345	3499	3498	3537
wtzr	3376	3495	3828	2841	2387	3112	3280	3235	3365	3403	3454
wuhn	3639	3622	2857	2606	3528	3339	2957	2966	3341	3485	3385
xian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yakz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yar1	2559	2710	2463	2382	2200	2346	2498	1501	0	2006	2561
yell	3134	3274	3334	3337	3287	3277	2972	3147	3566	3621	3332
ykro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yssk	3350	3460	3174	3117	3071	3265	3101	2990	2841	3069	3219
zeck	3446	3621	3510	3086	3518	3172	3095	3038	3426	3299	3253
zimm	3260	3247	3611	3273	3209	3150	3185	3259	3305	3474	3394
zwen	3459	3588	3594	3534	3507	3140	3407	3443	3399	3351	3635

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site ID	day 104	day 105	day 106	day 107	day 108	day 109	day 110	day 111	day 112	day 113	day 114
albh	169	109	123	97	306	535	399	103	110	449	677
algo	3520	3408	3488	3276	3451	3419	3416	3346	3316	3696	3735
alic	3877	3464	3166	3326	3830	3764	3433	3287	3369	3639	3838
amc2	3205	2926	3077	3203	3149	2788	2892	3036	3182	3041	3234
ankr	3269	3479	3101	0	3026	3214	3570	3145	2940	3213	3621
aoa1	2363	2495	2555	2469	2379	2533	2586	2339	2419	2584	2905
aoml	2558	2611	2574	2502	2780	2646	2607	2337	2260	287	2055
areq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
artu	3552	3835	3251	3192	3426	3423	3483	3191	3137	3320	3550
asc1	2953	2627	2527	2911	3487	2410	0	0	2847	3289	2943
auck	3287	3235	2897	2878	3341	3326	3124	3115	3240	3547	3430
azu1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bahr	3148	3149	3109	3291	3465	3065	3172	2726	2741	3011	3281
bako	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
barb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bili	3118	4052	3811	3608	3735	3431	3409	3620	3707	3623	3758
bjfs	3090	2729	2743	2732	2874	2515	2599	2821	2577	2587	2743
blyt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bogt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bor1	3326	3037	3164	3139	3624	3127	3059	2938	3263	3200	3124
bran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
braz	0	1536	3274	3139	3148	3175	3257	3013	3070	3456	3473
brmu	2960	2788	0	0	2623	3214	3064	2946	2579	3226	3301
brus	1689	1945	886	0	0	1997	3687	3435	3428	3246	3367
bucu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bzrg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cagl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cas1	4501	4158	4208	4533	4666	4550	4479	4600	4628	4554	4723
casa	2253	2521	2435	2320	2333	2570	2638	2297	2252	2591	2901
cat1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cedu	3658	3397	3301	3158	3628	3801	3646	3035	3223	3677	0
chat	3365	3435	3031	2845	3356	3452	3346	3003	3214	3483	3543
chil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chur	3486	3438	3260	3159	3598	3420	3273	3065	3410	3692	3701
chwk	2397	2590	2786	2616	2492	2625	2867	2738	2563	2588	3096
ciel	2132	2112	2058	2212	2292	2427	2394	2207	2238	2352	2743
cit1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
clar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cmp9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coco	3180	3361	3354	3061	3439	3516	3488	3098	3073	3440	3735
cord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
crfp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cro1	3057	3138	3222	3118	3307	3099	3158	3065	3247	3151	3262
csn1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dae1	3104	3093	3319	2911	2846	2951	3144	3259	2801	2869	3112
darw	0	2501	2991	3338	3651	3382	3065	3387	3585	3578	3411
dav1	4053	4290	4347	4444	4637	4550	4386	4437	4042	0	4129
dgar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dhlq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
drag	0	0	0	0	0	0	2747	1431	201	201	0
drao	485	375	125	158	388	543	399	103	110	452	680
dubo	3049	2826	2671	2834	2898	2886	2682	2842	2981	3159	3131
ebre	3361	3311	3344	3382	3718	3225	3346	3293	3396	3461	3362
eisl	1770	1293	366	705	359	342	0	704	982	767	598
fair	3168	3334	3208	2973	3157	2885	3068	2910	2914	3069	3605
flin	1207	1101	994	1089	1332	1259	1109	976	1128	1336	1320
fort	2240	2001	2250	2193	2089	2155	2559	2443	1778	1872	230
gala	3472	2885	2785	3224	3194	3009	3113	3125	3644	3597	3479
geno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
glsv	3431	3617	3506	3222	3569	3360	3552	3243	3263	3203	3476
gode	0	0	0	1522	2665	2985	1708	2670	2103	0	2550
gold	2895	3078	2939	2770	2736	2891	3092	2775	2770	2783	3343
gope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
goug	2650	2611	2554	2910	2719	2574	2871	2943	2858	2901	3030
gras	3086	2936	3001	2883	2743	0	3014	3025	3107	3207	2961
graz	3403	3560	3446	3308	3575	3460	3597	3310	3364	3125	1339
guam	2577	2950	2719	2471	2741	2604	3012	2790	2426	2746	3106
harv	2766	3065	3051	2844	2689	2329	0	0	0	0	0
hers	3323	3398	3607	3427	3613	3258	3644	3335	3342	3283	3591
hflk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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site ID	day 104	day 105	day 106	day 107	day 108	day 109	day 110	day 111	day 112	day 113	day 114
hnpt	3100	3144	2840	2719	2860	2893	2521	2600	2807	3299	3238
hob2	3369	3461	3415	3330	3538	3595	3751	3525	3285	3496	4016
hofn	3895	4380	3993	3433	3327	3353	3429	3906	3926	3814	4095
holb	353	333	109	81	272	506	399	103	85	333	586
holc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
holp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
hrao	2486	2763	2744	3151	2938	2583	2386	1962	2381	2929	2841
iisc	3198	2846	2546	2634	3170	2459	3136	2878	2730	2739	2732
ineg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
irkt	2756	3167	2854	2675	2968	2721	2855	2718	2766	2575	2872
jabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
jama	1901	2338	2141	1405	1580	1535	939	167	448	386	0
joze	3561	3621	3501	3314	3621	3416	3550	3314	3230	3227	3276
jplm	2452	2716	2642	2519	2403	2510	2524	2394	2398	2574	3071
karr	3495	0	2956	3588	3780	3558	3532	3531	3318	3377	3687
kely	3761	2297	0	0	3599	3773	3124	0	1634	2834	3462
kergr	3179	2979	3349	3614	3429	3105	3523	3688	3479	3155	3682
kiru	4201	4494	4205	4225	4260	4148	4026	3871	3773	3813	3869
kit3	2934	2977	1776	2011	661	0	0	0	0	0	1216
kokb	2303	2615	2797	2575	2619	2673	2748	2650	2738	2726	2935
kosg	3525	3589	3617	3453	3799	3492	3685	3492	3472	3492	3633
kour	3894	3755	3903	3958	3914	3590	3854	3633	3921	4025	4037
kr0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kstu	681	2658	2813	2849	2814	2791	2738	2680	2391	1648	2066
kunm	1491	1577	1819	1221	1790	1922	2018	1216	1335	1485	1235
kwjl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lbch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
leep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lhas	2704	2740	2673	2694	2778	2762	2821	2671	2467	2578	2715
long	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lpgs	0	1797	2937	3249	3076	2815	2681	3091	3180	3401	3218
mac1	3822	3472	3361	3411	3841	3843	3707	3493	3515	3973	4005
madr	3450	3273	3151	3222	3648	3189	2989	2469	3432	3372	3335
mag0	3143	3419	3181	2803	3219	3055	3035	2975	3030	3117	3171
mali	2913	3139	3292	3433	3222	2973	3431	3460	3035	3149	3529
mas1	3241	3397	3445	3150	3339	3064	3431	3051	3051	2239	3083
mate	3063	3413	3487	3187	3377	3272	3585	3249	2976	3064	3481
math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
maw1	4401	4239	3992	4323	4551	4685	4253	4273	4660	4781	4788
mcm4	4692	4404	4503	4637	4667	4699	4628	4681	4600	4713	5051
mdol	2484	2215	2373	2451	2648	2529	2572	2097	2430	2610	2816
mdvo	2556	2973	3073	3360	3563	3507	3473	2481	2407	2591	3369
medi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
mets	3780	3918	3609	3721	3756	3654	3728	3556	3481	3573	3603
mkea	2275	2579	2711	2601	2464	2666	2736	2529	2453	2447	2977
monp	2923	3111	3086	2882	2753	2828	3084	2675	2757	2328	0
mr6g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
nano	843	877	906	933	810	868	987	884	874	0	1184
nico	3042	3280	3312	3268	3288	3124	3473	3198	2870	3065	3352
nklg	2663	2755	2810	3299	3472	3023	3498	3168	3171	3084	3344
nlib	2590	2457	2553	2520	2691	2483	2735	1056	0	2733	3064
noto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
noum	3057	3205	3049	2919	3154	3023	3203	2904	2978	3137	3626
nrc1	3502	3501	3550	3291	3462	3524	3481	3357	3334	3780	3803
nssp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ntus	3529	3528	3662	3488	3572	3630	3571	3382	3221	3573	3723
nyal	4570	4629	4451	3642	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
nyal	4608	4602	4375	4094	4383	4171	4570	4020	3986	4375	4399
oat2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
onsa	3731	3974	3831	3515	3870	3682	3862	3514	3555	3502	3727
penc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
pert	3699	3233	3148	3427	3667	3530	3365	3294	3352	3529	3437
petp	2796	3021	2847	2467	2728	2704	2648	1084	0	0	0
piel	2488	2351	2165	2419	2586	2518	2498	2188	2465	2614	2836
pimo	2912	2615	0	2429	2928	3230	3170	2382	2621	3135	3009
pol2	2851	3299	2716	2400	2738	2915	3182	2801	2646	2760	3145
pots	3530	3635	3538	3385	3855	3572	3483	3329	3476	3555	3582
prds	3030	3030	3269	3195	3210	2922	3196	3089	3028	3027	3405
pvep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
quin	2249	2395	2138	2176	2197	2515	2527	2224	2210	2708	2888
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Table F.10: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 10. (continued)

site ID	day 104	day 105	day 106	day 107	day 108	day 109	day 110	day 111	day 112	day 113	day 114
ramo	2951	3202	3242	3221	3199	3118	3223	3160	2971	2964	3271
reyk	4088	4159	4021	3910	4089	3992	4061	3976	3830	3982	4213
riog	3704	3463	3027	3580	3540	3521	3340	3193	3767	4023	3800
riop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
roch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sant	3158	3193	3057	2965	3105	3089	3259	3171	3157	3293	3655
sch2	3533	3659	3626	3409	3507	3049	3214	3557	3282	3659	3882
scip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sele	2777	2661	2498	2559	2844	2667	2917	2497	2433	2394	2489
sey1	1496	1597	1612	1582	1741	1488	1483	1627	1520	1627	1773
sfer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
shao	2718	2545	2395	2321	2649	2667	2434	2636	2468	2412	2498
sio3	472	375	109	78	293	511	399	103	81	294	550
sn1l	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sofi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
soll	3237	3418	3044	2928	3040	3557	3327	3116	3156	3690	3631
spk1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
stjo	3622	3851	3875	3747	3776	3602	3532	3501	3435	3741	3839
suth	3054	2724	2675	3231	3091	2824	3031	3241	3220	3134	3216
suwn	3012	2982	3162	2872	2692	2435	2640	3155	2727	2725	2913
syog	4013	3905	3487	3514	3492	3857	3461	4237	4457	4354	4395
tabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
thti	3420	3006	2720	2924	3510	3167	2919	2815	3094	3245	3337
thul	2385	0	0	1989	0	2958	2090	2735	2952	3226	3259
tidb	3378	3364	3314	3207	3222	3379	3567	3381	3158	3302	4000
tixi	4193	4225	4106	3904	3800	3754	3906	3844	3831	3691	3999
torp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tow2	3407	3391	3136	3151	3421	3472	3342	3024	3164	3480	4042
trab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
trak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tro1	4182	4570	4232	4040	4276	4066	4202	4003	4019	4126	4077
trom	4251	4717	4281	4010	4408	4233	4340	3998	3471	0	2174
tskb	1720	1553	1702	1354	2021	2374	2017	2371	1758	1739	1756
uclp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
uclu	370	348	121	93	291	522	399	103	100	355	593
urum	3186	3209	3109	2999	3250	2965	2994	2890	2604	0	2535
uscl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
usna	3061	3178	3015	2861	3008	3162	3002	2824	2841	3127	3183
usno	636	423	125	229	608	748	424	86	232	561	674
usud	3078	2955	2778	2714	2888	2701	2560	2824	2716	2759	2809
vene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vesl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vill	3455	3311	3434	3342	3664	2177	3014	3212	2414	3068	3383
vndp	945	974	883	811	855	1020	991	695	715	969	1138
vs0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wes2	636	406	108	229	608	732	408	86	233	648	760
whcl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
whit	3217	3425	3660	3418	3163	3180	3514	3404	3033	3246	3763
widc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
will	2542	2700	2940	2804	2704	2685	2931	2892	2685	2609	2982
wlsn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wroc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wslr	733	823	917	892	730	845	931	709	519	871	1167
wsrt	3537	3681	3691	3478	3811	3520	3735	3467	3483	3508	3689
wtzr	3454	3633	3485	3358	3709	3589	3616	3366	3331	3457	3543
wuhn	3385	3123	3292	3075	3027	2816	2981	0	2788	2758	3046
xian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yakz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yar1	2561	1988	2196	2376	1975	1932	2517	2428	1579	1986	2293
yell	3332	3616	3704	3464	3334	3343	3454	3571	3280	3426	3768
ykro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yssk	3219	3246	3037	2719	2938	2972	2987	2923	2857	2961	3119
zeck	3253	3406	3350	3287	3464	3154	3316	3193	3091	3218	3318
zimm	3394	3500	3455	3413	3659	3431	3607	3326	3353	3537	3572
zwen	3635	3767	3286	3492	3758	3492	3469	3145	3139	3447	3509

Table F.11: Daily DDobs numbers for cycle 11

site ID	day 114	day 115	day 116	day 117	day 118	day 119	day 120	day 121	day 122	day 123	day 124
albh	677	479	134	0	318	613	433	138	88	389	579
algo	3735	3540	3545	2568	2492	3516	3369	3589	3728	3530	3440
alic	3838	3654	3611	2972	3105	3412	3696	3406	2959	1868	3078
amc2	3234	3274	3390	2380	2345	3281	3079	3206	3275	3221	3218
ankr	3621	3343	3147	2119	2669	3403	3264	3059	3400	2868	2552
aoa1	2905	2590	2404	1957	2120	2785	2554	2466	2650	2431	2608
aoml	2055	2643	2404	1835	1848	2579	2291	2594	2388	522	1645
areq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
artu	3550	3163	2974	2080	2787	2964	3123	3151	3252	2628	2600
asc1	2943	3059	3655	2862	2628	3292	1637	2724	2273	0	2368
auck	3430	3488	3538	2941	2943	3377	3616	3309	3378	3260	3187
azu1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bahr	3281	3240	3035	2191	2545	3155	3265	2890	3105	2515	2485
bako	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
barb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bili	3758	3799	3551	2772	3183	3487	3590	3511	3818	3266	3551
bjfs	2743	2895	2551	2057	2339	2621	2727	2604	2531	2198	2489
blyt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bogt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bor1	3124	3214	3114	2098	2209	3050	3220	3244	3042	2518	2585
bran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
braz	3473	2981	0	2294	2819	3589	2821	3122	3107	0	2769
brmu	3301	2904	2881	2158	2366	3020	2592	2908	3064	3029	2801
brus	3367	3514	3543	2306	2349	3358	3556	3540	3382	3005	2971
bucu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bzrg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cagl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cas1	4723	4858	4917	3755	3844	4871	4913	4573	4607	4579	4416
casa	2901	2505	2239	1917	2032	2614	2416	2302	2681	2591	2442
cat1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cedu	0	3552	3497	2944	3224	3228	3215	3334	3455	2948	0
chat	3543	3465	3517	2995	3096	3495	3438	3606	3543	3482	3292
chil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chur	3701	3194	3473	2567	2614	3287	3348	3855	3811	3356	3317
chwk	3096	2921	2601	1918	2296	2922	2677	2533	2795	2861	2674
ciel	2743	2441	1860	1723	1776	2429	2105	2008	2312	2184	1924
cit1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
clar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cmp9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coco	3735	3635	3155	2677	2960	3591	3431	3274	3326	2791	3077
cord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
coso	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
crfp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cro1	3262	3251	3503	2378	2200	3342	2943	3293	3257	3217	2961
csn1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
daej	3112	3293	2872	2168	2732	2988	3101	2797	2972	2281	2889
darw	3411	3508	3735	2956	2882	3224	3992	3550	2937	2784	3640
dav1	4129	4937	4805	3936	3803	4802	4830	4624	4884	4550	4344
dgar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dhlq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
drag	0	6	0	0	0	1230	685	23	29	0	0
drao	680	479	134	0	339	648	455	146	88	402	591
dubo	3131	2947	2825	1893	2208	2992	2925	3036	3100	2896	2931
ebre	3362	3345	3445	2321	2367	3186	3404	3521	3360	2798	2927
eisl	598	2320	887	0	2142	2399	2224	2444	2359	2390	2101
fair	3605	3199	2928	2276	2940	3082	2683	2638	3264	3082	2935
flin	1320	1081	1010	651	850	1317	1059	914	902	1176	1274
fort	230	1867	2589	1743	1941	2345	2240	2120	2180	2422	2217
gala	3479	3378	3542	3051	2769	3451	2911	3221	3546	3484	3135
geno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
glsv	3476	3426	3187	2133	2541	3460	3528	3374	3408	2827	2859
gode	2550	2055	2041	1796	1830	0	2553	3131	3210	1422	0
gold	3343	3298	2881	2201	2566	3394	2704	2715	3378	3333	3041
gope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
goug	3030	0	2964	2832	2794	3117	2993	2887	3249	3192	2612
gras	2961	3101	3138	2166	2176	2802	3249	3127	2909	2347	2514
graz	1339	2899	3425	2379	2516	3329	3457	3557	3517	2904	2750
guam	3106	2672	0	1977	2906	2643	2459	1590	2729	2227	2917
harv	0	872	2898	2178	2655	3341	2918	3022	3433	3356	3090
hers	3591	3646	3526	2312	2319	3364	3536	3417	3007	3031	3054
hflk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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site ID	day 114	day 115	day 116	day 117	day 118	day 119	day 120	day 121	day 122	day 123	day 124
hnpt	3238	2954	2887	2155	2212	2961	2573	2871	2911	648	512
hob2	4016	3865	3871	2773	3215	3725	3982	3413	3515	3538	3736
hofn	4095	4040	4039	2490	3040	4068	3876	3866	4047	3763	3452
holb	586	465	131	0	339	676	420	83	88	385	562
holc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
holp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
hrao	2841	2675	2593	2486	2373	3129	3114	3009	3461	2897	2826
iisc	2732	2862	2703	1598	2247	2902	2768	2809	2059	1824	2462
ineg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
irkt	2872	2878	2664	2015	2521	2652	2653	2642	2774	2285	2272
jabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
jama	0	0	0	0	0	410	624	757	1281	1991	2092
joze	3276	3438	3405	2250	2445	3367	3539	3337	3382	2775	2894
jplm	3071	2812	2468	1967	2201	2716	2426	2501	2754	2669	2549
karr	3687	3926	3728	2764	2969	3627	3812	3414	3402	3061	3666
kely	3462	4070	3354	2544	3110	2956	2247	3057	4271	3241	3352
kerg	3682	3655	3747	3094	2889	3829	3758	3377	3687	3330	3417
kiru	3869	3950	3797	2331	2950	3736	3767	3694	3847	3313	3310
kit3	1216	719	0	0	1961	345	0	0	0	0	0
kokb	2935	2872	2690	2361	2637	1739	2895	2861	2841	2762	2844
kosg	3633	3623	3537	2313	2317	3442	3542	3551	3430	3043	2988
kour	4037	3816	4242	3122	3073	4071	3685	4125	4067	3943	3700
kr0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
kstu	2066	2830	2524	1805	1950	2621	2616	2486	2671	2142	2047
kunm	1235	1441	1189	525	1415	1164	1883	1561	1264	674	866
kwjl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lbch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
leep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lhas	2715	2888	2635	1940	2349	2728	2776	2611	2608	2201	2559
long	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
lpgs	3218	3440	3478	2934	2604	3414	3271	3208	3122	3129	2689
mac1	4005	3864	4076	3261	3254	3791	3963	3776	3574	3704	3716
madr	3335	3371	3603	2356	2347	3089	3147	3541	3351	2877	2854
mag0	3171	3154	2873	2423	2753	3038	2950	3173	3218	2800	2860
mali	3529	3533	3369	2439	2652	3679	3417	3086	3653	3252	2736
mas1	3083	3196	3359	2311	2431	3277	3124	3384	3415	3046	2890
mate	3481	3362	3074	2096	2507	3116	3070	3308	3486	2937	2762
math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
maw1	4788	4815	4164	3488	3166	4888	4724	4242	4909	4369	4126
mcm4	5051	5220	5066	4106	4233	5252	5164	4699	4799	4954	4592
mdol	2816	2377	2489	1873	1917	2740	2265	2545	2550	2442	2385
mdvo	3369	1349	255	1246	2632	3178	3338	3425	961	1862	2677
medi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
mets	3603	3578	3697	2189	2757	3460	3926	3607	3632	3039	3164
mkea	2977	2816	2548	2290	2763	2896	2609	2766	2780	2698	2647
monp	0	2968	2819	2231	2576	3365	2688	2735	3374	3377	3070
mr6g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
nano	1184	1092	784	408	708	1165	923	605	579	995	977
nico	3352	3290	3132	2069	2372	3147	3209	2867	3269	2706	2451
nklg	3344	3161	3401	2599	2580	3450	3618	3191	3343	3185	2952
nlib	3064	2821	2804	1987	2109	3048	2719	2680	2716	2712	2594
noto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
noum	3626	3342	955	2398	3030	3248	3546	3184	3249	2965	0
nrc1	3803	3563	3587	2564	2657	3569	3361	3588	3772	3626	3433
nssp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ntus	3723	3671	3544	2335	3114	3532	3488	3191	3267	2956	3240
nyal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4314	4376	3820	3496
nyal	4399	3934	0	2145	3331	4128	3993	4247	4390	3845	3840
oat2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
onsa	3727	3742	3611	2340	2642	3679	3698	3641	3517	3145	3088
penc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
pert	3437	3559	3675	3056	2869	3478	3666	3485	3476	3127	3474
petp	0	497	2230	1407	2461	2751	883	1648	2578	2511	2409
piel	2836	2488	2499	1867	1869	2747	2239	2395	2452	2554	2388
pimo	3009	2446	2438	2080	2779	2518	2192	2450	2790	1878	2509
pol2	3145	2898	2567	1965	2472	2711	2695	2441	2829	2239	2423
pot3	3582	3418	3320	2098	2406	3424	3622	3702	3472	2904	2779
prds	3405	3174	3212	2302	2477	3068	3192	3224	3268	3159	3098
pvep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
quin	2888	2517	2182	1876	2163	2733	2321	2479	2703	2562	2432
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site ID	day 114	day 115	day 116	day 117	day 118	day 119	day 120	day 121	day 122	day 123	day 124
ramo	3271	3332	3057	2141	2444	3077	1215	2421	3084	2546	2475
reyk	4213	4277	4035	2456	2950	4055	3773	3823	3931	3761	3501
riog	3800	3535	3877	3642	3336	3635	3403	3006	3741	3787	3247
riop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
roch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sant	3655	3497	3440	3109	3193	3600	3284	3162	3633	3811	3127
sch2	3882	3621	3481	2486	2685	3589	3331	3663	3814	3560	3337
scip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sele	2489	2570	2380	1585	1880	2335	2377	2341	2441	1710	1978
sey1	1773	1637	1666	877	889	1682	1678	1672	1754	1276	1212
sfer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
shao	2498	2667	2516	1808	2437	2334	2579	2227	2393	1872	2289
sio3	550	337	0	0	235	463	367	165	75	225	393
sn1l	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
sofi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
soll	3631	3478	3445	2526	2493	3556	3176	3537	3879	3546	3299
spk1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
stjo	3839	3901	3759	2515	2717	3796	3506	3756	3838	3694	3462
suth	3216	3319	3417	2977	2820	3348	3392	3349	3658	3337	2969
suwn	2913	3154	2719	2092	2568	2868	3052	562	2696	2174	2788
syog	4395	4308	4567	3640	3457	4453	4373	4247	4703	4131	3964
tabl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
thti	3337	3440	3287	3033	2854	3565	3134	3497	3338	3411	3172
thul	3259	2930	2774	1884	1868	0	2446	2766	2805	2397	2543
tidb	4000	3761	3502	2749	3248	3889	3750	3222	3360	3502	3575
tixi	3999	3951	899	0	0	0	0	2944	3880	3513	3569
torp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tow2	4042	3592	3585	2830	3180	3432	3780	3242	3338	3331	3549
trab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
trak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
tro1	4077	4130	3906	2420	2947	3778	4011	4082	4095	3618	3545
trom	2174	4166	3963	2508	3107	3903	4045	4103	4202	3699	3557
tskb	1756	1936	1694	1103	2040	1831	2256	2056	1960	1378	1628
uclp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
uclu	593	471	135	0	338	630	375	83	88	385	563
urum	2535	3119	2684	2022	2558	2830	2720	0	2628	2362	2458
uscl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
usna	3183	3033	2814	1865	2096	2871	2660	2823	3166	2966	2784
usno	674	453	139	17	410	672	309	47	174	574	701
usud	2809	2760	2679	2262	2809	2506	2768	2647	2906	2145	2610
vene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vesl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vill	3383	3487	3599	2339	2373	3334	3352	3526	3390	2914	2905
vndp	1138	924	706	470	747	1114	696	491	665	972	983
vs0g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wes2	760	453	139	17	433	713	361	105	233	616	708
whcl	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
whit	3763	3765	3272	2243	2933	3605	3294	3128	3465	3411	3179
widc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
will	2982	2866	2752	1995	2362	2866	2793	2644	2816	2702	2683
wlsn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wroc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
wslr	1167	1044	707	389	725	1186	870	539	546	950	967
wsrt	3689	3674	3549	2288	2415	3517	3640	3581	3452	3069	3004
wtzr	3543	3474	3563	2462	2502	3360	3577	3636	3450	2918	2849
wuhn	3046	3329	3199	2274	2635	2991	3146	2896	2863	2386	2836
xian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yakz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yar1	2293	2185	2827	1681	1289	2634	2743	2601	2379	2030	2477
yell	3768	3794	3627	2497	2947	3750	3531	3537	3648	3529	3438
ykro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
yssk	3119	2910	2726	1917	2934	2834	2800	2788	3126	2614	2724
zeck	3318	3427	3106	2069	2534	1482	2938	3095	3250	2639	2543
zimm	3572	3389	3479	2357	2411	3303	3564	3553	3406	2848	2877
zwen	3509	3365	3391	2226	2651	3128	3368	3234	3179	2549	2808

F.3 IGS Organization (agency)

Table F.12: IGS Organization (agency)

IGS Organization(agency)	
AEC	Ohio University Avionics Engineering Center
ASDC	American Samoa Department of Commerce
BAYONET	Bayonet Network
BLM	Bureau of Land Management (NOAA)
CCO	Carbon County, UT
CETI	Condor Earth Technologies Inc
CNMI	Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, TQ
CoFC	City of Cincinnati, OH
CoHP	City of High Point, NC
CoS	City of Scottsdale, AZ
CoT	City of Tucson, AZ
CWU	Central Washington University (PANGA)
DEDP	Delaware Department of Parks and Recreation
FLDOT	Florida Department of Transportation
FSL	Forecast System Laboratory (NOAA)
GTI	Greenville Technical Institute
HCC	Hagerstown Community College, MD
HGCSD	Harris Galveston Coastal Subsidence District
HSCfA	Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics (BARGN)
IDDOT	Idaho Department of Transportation
IGN	Instituto Geografico Nacional (NOAA)
INETER	Instituto Nicaraguense de Estudios Territoriales (NOAA)
INUN	Indiana University, IN
JAMET	Jamaica Meterological Service (NOAA)
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
LAMT	Lamont Earth Observatory, NY
LCDT	Lake County Division of Transportation
LLNL	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, CA
LVVWD	Las Vegas Valley Water District
MDOT	Michigan Department of Transportation
NCAD	NCAD Corporation, KY
NCGS	North Carolina Geodetic Survey
NDDOT	North Dakota Dept. of Transportation
NGS	National Geodetic Survey (NOAA)
NJIT	New Jersey Institute of Technology
ODOT	Ohio Department of Transportation
OKDOT	Oklahoma Department of Transportation
OSPA	Oswego Port Authority
OSU	Oregon State University (PANGA)
PADOT	Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
PGPSF	Pacific GPS Facility
PSC	Paul Smith's College
SRP	Salt River Project, AZ
SATLOC	SATLOC Inc
SCGS	South Carolina Geodetic Survey
SLCSO	Salt Lake County Surveyor's Office
SOPAC	Scripps Orbit and Permanent Array Center (SCIGN)
SOPAC	Scripps Orbit and Permanent Array Center (RIVCOFLOOD)
SPSU	Southeastern Polytechnic University, GA
TRS	Columbia County, GA
TSEA	The Surveyors Exchange, AK
TXDOT	Texas Department of Transportation
UCB	University of California, Berkeley (BARD)
UIUC	University of
UNAVCO	University of Utah
USACE	US Army Corps of Engineers
USCG	US Coast Guard
USDOT	US Department of Transportation (USCG)
USGS	US Geological Survey (BARD)
USGS	US Geological Survey (SCIGN)
USNO	US Naval Observatory (JPL)
UVA	University of Virginia
UWA	University of Washington (PANGA)
VAOT	Vermont Agency of Transportation
VDOT	Virginia Department of Transportation
VIMS	Virginia Institute of Marine Science

Appendix G

Acronyms

Table G.1: Acronyms

1-cpr	once per revolution
AAC	Associate Analysis Center
AC	Analysis Center
AS	anti-spoofing
BRD	broadcast ephemeris
CA	coarse acquisition
CDDIS	Crustal Dynamics Data Information System, USA
CNES	Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales, France
CODE	Center for Orbit Determination in Europe
CoM	Center of Mass
CSR	Center for Space Research, USA
DDObs	Double-Differenced Observation
DEOS	Delft Institute for Earth-Oriented Space Research
DORIS	Doppler Orbitography and Radiopositioning Integrated by Satellite
DUT	Delft University of Technology
ECEF	Earth-Centered-Earth-Fixed
EOP	Earth orientation parameter
FAGS	Federation of Astronomical and Geophysical Data Analysis Services
FLIN	Flin Flon: a new Canadian deformation array site
GFZ	GeoForschungsZentrum, Germany
GMST	Greenwich mean sidereal time
GPS	Global Positioning System
GSFC	Goddard Space Flight Center, USA
IAG	International Association of Geodesy
IAU	International Astronomical Union
ICRF	International Celestial Reference Frame
IERS	International Earth Rotation Service
IGS	International GPS Service
ILRS	International Laser Ranging Service
ITRF	International Terrestrial Reference Frame
ITRS	International Terrestrial Reference System
IUGG	International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory, USA
LEO	Low Earth Orbiters
LRA	Laser Retro-reflector Array
MSODP	Multi-Satellite Orbit Determination Program
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration, USA
NAVSOL	Navigation Solution software
NGS	National Geodetic Survey
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, USA
OSTM	Ocean Surface Topography Mission
POD	Precision Orbit Determination
RINEX	Receiver-Independent Exchange format
rms	root mean square
SA	Selective Availability
SINEX	Software-Independent Exchange format
SLR	satellite laser ranging
TEC	total electron content
TEXGAP	university of TEXas Gps Analysis Program
TRSR	Turbo Rogue Space Receiver
UTOPIA	the University of Texas Orbit Processor
VLBI	very long baseline radio interferometry

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